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DEQ chief concerned with delays

BY ED LEPOMA

The chief of Mississippi's Department of Environmental Quality wants another head-to-head meeting with Hancock County officials over the current impasse in the county's future waste disposal plans.

Jim Palmer, DEQ's Executive Director, wrote Board of Supervisors President Philip Moran that he and some of his staff want to come to town to discuss the situation "with all appropriate officials" during the first full week of May.

In a four-page letter that gives a glimpse of some negotiations that have taken place outside the public spotlight, Palmer told Moran: "The responsibility for finding a solution...has been placed squarely upon the Hancock County Board of Supervisors by state law, and there the responsibility will remain until the Board either surrenders this duty to some other entity or, worse, defaults."

In his letter to Moran, which Palmer furnished to the Echo, the DEQ chief raised several concerns about the progress supervisors have made to find suitable land in the buffer zone around Stennis for a combination landfill/rubbish site. The search has gone on for 10 months.

Palmer also noted there are several questions to be resolved before DEQ can allow county citizens to continue dumping past June 30 at the Standard rubbish site.

Palmer's letter revealed that Moran and District 4 Supervisor Steve Seymour came to his office in Jackson Feb. 20 to brief him on the status of the situation in Hancock County and they indicated the county



The clock's ticking

The county's rubbish site in the rural Standard Community is slated to close by the end of June, although supervisors have requested another extension. Jim Palmer, chief of the state's Department of Environmental Quality has requested a head-on

could not meet the June 30 deadline for downgrading or closing the Standard rubbish site, and told him supervisors planned to formally request an extension.

"I asked you to send us a comprehensive letter covering all aspects of the solid waste

dilemma in Hancock County, detailing your efforts to date and outlining whatever options you believe are available to you at this time," Palmer noted.

Supervisors made the formal request for an extension in a letter to DEQ March 10, but Palmer said the letter did not

meeting with Hancock County officials for the first full week of May to discuss future plans for the rubbish site and the status of the current search for a landfill location in the buffer zone surrounding Stennis. (Echo staff photo by Richard Meek)

contain "hard evidence on which to base our decision regarding your request for help."

In the March letter, Moran told Palmer that supervisors were still negotiating to purchase a 400-acre tract owned by Prutimber in the buffer

zone, but may look to the state legislature to amend present law that would allow the county to eminent domain the tract in the NASA buffer zone.

The legislation was never introduced in the session, and

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County trailer zones narrowed

BY ED LEPOMA

If you are thinking about buying a mobile home and putting it on a lot in Hancock County, you need to check with Hancock County's zoning enforcement officer before you close the sale.

Willie Gavney reports since supervisors adopted the comprehensive zoning ordinance last January, instances are increasing where people have purchased a trailer, then have found out they are strictly prohibited in some areas or a conditional use hearing is required before they can be placed in certain areas.

"The best thing to do is check with my office first," said

Gavney. He said some people are tying up their life's savings purchasing trailers that they can't place on lots.

Gavney had a copy of a recent sales contract. "A young man signed on the dotted line, and is indebted for this trailer for 15 years, and now he finds out he can't put the trailer on his lot," said Gavney. "It's a shame."

"Trailers are absolutely prohibited in any area of the county zoned R-1 single family residential," said Gavney.

"No mobile homes are allowed in R-1 areas period," said Gavney.

Trailers are allowed without a hearing in areas zoned R-1A,

(a small portion of Diamondhead), R-2A, R-3, multi-family residential and in areas of the county zoned A-1, Agricultural.

"But even in these areas, you must pay \$15 outside the

flood zone and \$40 inside the flood zone to the zoning office and be issued a letter of compliance before the electric companies will hook up your power," said Gavney.

Trailers are allowed as a conditional use in areas zoned, R-2, medium density residential, C-1, neighborhood com-

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Facility site opposed

The second proposal for locating Hancock County's Juvenile Detention Center downtown has unleashed another flurry of fierce reaction.

Supervisors last week asked County Administrator Tim Kellar to get appraisals on land north of the county jail that lies in the way of the proposed

juvenile facility. Three historic homes facing Railroad Street, a church parking lot and Ruth's Cakery on Court Street stand in the way. A committee appointed by supervisors to review architectural proposals recommended the site adjacent to the jail in efforts to hold down projected costs.

Reaction to Thursday's Echo story was swift and unanimously opposed.

C.C. McDonald Jr., President of the Board of Trustees of Main Street Methodist Church said the fact that the church parking lot was only 10 years

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Closing

The Kiln Library will be closed Tuesday and Thursday, April 22 and 24, until 11:30 a.m. to allow staff to attend workshops.

The library will close for the day at its normal time, 5 p.m. on those two days.

Patrons wishing to return books during this period are asked to return them to the outside bookdrop.

Forum set

The public is invited to a community forum Thursday, April 24 featuring the Bay St. Louis mayoral and council candidates.

The forum, sponsored by the Hancock County Journalist Association, will be from 7-9 p.m. in the auditorium of Bay High School off Blue Meadow Road.

Anniversary

First Missionary Baptist Church will hold its 120th anniversary on Sunday, April 27 at 8 p.m.

Guest pastor is Pastor John H. Williams from Mt. Bethel Baptist Church in Gulfport.

Immunizations

The Pearl Christian Health Department will celebrate National Immunization Week on Monday, April 21 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. The clinic is closed between 4-6 p.m.

Immunizations are available for children and adults.

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Mon. 11:51 a. 9:30 p.
Tue. 12:10 p. 10:25 p.
Wed. 12:36 p. 11:18 p.
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Fri. 1:46 p. 12:11 a.
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Area volunteers honored

Four area women were honored during the Mississippi Woman 1997: The Power of One Conference Thursday. Above, honoree Mary Clarke of Hancock County (center) stands with Geraldine Lang (left) and Catherine Lihem. Right, honoree Theresa Bourgeois (left) is shown with Clarice Gustin. Also honored were Alleen Saucer of Hancock County and Jeanne Stahl of Pass Christian. The conference drew over 500 women.



NELDA BREWER WILLIAM BURGE DR. JASPER G. HAMMONS

NELDA BREWER
Nelda Mae Edwards Brewer, 53, of Pass Christian, died Wednesday, April 18, 1997, in Biloxi.

Mrs. Brewer was born in Hattiesburg and had been a long-time resident of Pass Christian. She was a truck driver for KLLM Transport Service and a member of Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

She was preceded in death by her father, Hilrie McRae Edwards.

Survivors include her husband, Walter Scott Brewer; her mother, Burtie Smith Powell, both of Pass Christian; two sons, Tony Dwayne Ball of Jackson and James Michael Ball of Salisbury, Md.; a sister, Patricia Ahannetta Saucier of Gulfport; and her grandmother, Leona D. Smith of Pass Christian.

Visitation was Thursday evening at Riemann Memorial Funeral Home in Gulfport. Services were conducted Friday at the funeral home chapel, with burial in Gulf Pines Memorial Gardens in Long Beach.

WILLIAM BURGE
William "W.C." Burge, 65, died Friday, April 18, 1997, in Gulfport.

Arrangements are incomplete at Riemann Funeral Home in Gulfport.

DR. JASPER G. HAMMONS
Dr. Jasper G. Hammons, 83, of Monroe, La., died Monday, April 14, 1997, in the VA Medical Center in Biloxi.

Dr. Hammons was born in Neshoba County, Miss., and earned bachelor's and master's of science degrees from Mississippi State University and his doctorate in Argonomy from Pennsylvania State University. Dr. Hammons worked with the Mississippi Experiment Station and the Mississippi Conservation Service, working in the original research application of Anhydrous Ammonia to cotton plants.

He was a veteran of World War II, and a professor of Argonomy at Northeast Louisiana University for 25 years, until his retirement in 1979.

Survivors include his wife of 53 years, Majorie Magee Hammons of Monroe; two sons, James Glen Hammons of Swartz, La., and Robert William Hammons of Mobile; four daughters, Majorie Ann Lozes of Houston, Texas, Linda Gayle O'Connor of Garland, Texas, Catherine Jean Gum of Houston and Mary Elizabeth James of Pass Christian; a sister, Mrs. Helen Friedman of Annandale, Va.; and 11 grandchildren.

A service was held Thursday, April 17, 1997, at Chapel of Mulhearn Funeral Home in Monroe, with the Rev. Jeffery Burns officiating. Burial was at Mulhearn Memorial Park Cemetery.

The family prefers memorials to Northeast Louisiana University Library in the science division.

MSU camp

A special summer program is being offered at Mississippi State University for high school students contemplating careers in architecture.

Open to persons 15 and older, the annual School of Architecture Design Camp will be June 13-20.

May 30 is the application deadline. No school transcripts and recommendation letters are required.

The camp's goal is to simulate the information, skill and intensity required for an architectural education. After the eight-day experience, participants should be able to make an informed career decision about architecture and its related disciplines, said coordinator Shannon Criss.

This year's camp generally coincides with June 12-13 and 21-22 orientation sessions for new and transfer students.

For application forms or additional information, write to Shannon Criss, c/o Design Camp, School of Architecture, Drawer AQ, Mississippi State, MS 39762-5441. The telephone number is (601) 325-2202.

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REFLECTIONS ON LIFE

By Father Jerome
LeDoux, SVD



"My sinuses are acting up horribly. I've been to the doctor twice in the last couple of days, and I'm taking medicine which is not doing me much good. I'm still all congested, and I have to go back to the doctor tomorrow."

"Have you had any spinal injury?" I inquired. Upon receiving a negative answer, I asked the lady whether she wanted me to open her sinuses with a simple back stretch.

"Can you really do that?" she asked in great surprise.

"Yes. Just relax," I counseled as I reached under her armpits and around her chest, lifting her feet off the floor. The weight of her lower body stretched her vertebrae, causing light pops and instantly opening her sinusal cavities.

Was this an isolated occurrence? By no means. Just as everyone else, I can hardly believe how simple and effective the stretch maneuver is for virtually everybody, but I have been doing it and witnessing it

for over a dozen years. Even in those cases where pills of sundry kinds and powers have failed to relieve sinusitis and/or headaches, very gentle spinal realignment has usually proven quite effective.

That same simple maneuver generally eases and in many cases wipes out most forms of headache. Within a minute or so, the pain either begins to wane or starts to travel from one location to another prior to disappearing.

It is no secret that our back is the master console of our entire body, controlling every muscle, ligament and tendon through our spinal chord from which emanate all our nerves.

If the hollow vertebrae, through which the spinal chord runs, are a bit out of line, they squeeze the spinal chord, creating pain and mayhem in the parts of the body corresponding to the impinged nerves coming out of the spinal chord.

Realign those vertebrae, and both the spinal chord and its at-

Doctors,
listen up!

tendant nerves relax, resulting in the release of pained, crippled body members controlled by those particular nerves.

Backing up this simple back maneuver is the mostly raw food regimen pushed by Rev. George Malkmus who in one year recovered from colon cancer, severe sinusitis, several allergies, hypertension, hypoglycemia and hemorrhoids.

Better said, raw food plus abstinence from all animal products is the primary, not the backup remedy, because it soon cleans out assorted allergies, the sinuses and the chest in a more or less permanent fashion.

More than likely, at this point I have managed to lose and/or alienate most of the medical doctors who have been reading these reflections on back adjustment, raw food regimen and their beneficial effects on sinusitis and allergies.

Well, that is the burden of these present reflections. Most medical doctors look askance at alternative medicine in any shape, form or fashion. That is a tragedy for doctors' reason for being: their patients.

Maligned and sneered at, Rodney King nevertheless had it right: "Can't we just get along?" Can't medical doctors, osteopaths, chiropractors, physical therapists, masseurs and nutritionists give one another space and just collaborate?

There is a portion of truth and a part of remedies in each branch of medicine, as well as in any science which supplements medicine. Listen, all you doctors, for patients' sake!

Chevis retains membership

Sidney A. Chevis, MD of Bay St. Louis has completed continuing medical education requirements to retain active membership in the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP), the national association of family doctors.

AAFP members are required to complete a minimum of 150 hours of accredited continuing medical study every three years. The AAFP, which has more than 75,000 members, is one of the largest medical specialty organizations in the country. It was the first national medical group to require members to keep up with medical advancements through regular continuing medical education.

Dr. Chevis has been an active AAFP member since 1975. As a family physician, Dr. Chevis is qualified to work in all major areas of health care and trained to treat patients of all ages for the vast majority of health problems.

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The body is controlled and regulated through the nervous system, and if a spinal nerve is pinched or blocked, the body will become diseased or malfunction. A headache, for example, could be the result of a situation like this. When one or more of the tiny positions, headache troubles may result.

When you are in pain and in doubt as to its cause, contact your Doctor of Chiropractic. Find out what's causing those headaches and, instead of covering up the pain, try for a cure!

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Traffic fatalities drop slightly

Mississippi's 1996 traffic fatalities dropped slightly, but the number killed who were not using safety belts or child protective devices was alarmingly high, according to the Governor's Office of Highway Safety.

The 1996 fatality total was 811; in 1995, Mississippi had 868 traffic fatalities. Of those killed in 1996, 78.4 percent of the drivers were not using safety belts, and 70.7 percent of front-seat passengers and 83.1 percent of back-seat passengers were not using some type of protective device.

There were 17 motorcycle and all-terrain vehicle (ATV) riders killed, and 82.3 percent of these individuals were not wearing helmets. None of the five bicyclists killed was wearing a helmet.

The traffic fatalities also included 48 pedestrians.

"Although we're happy to see the decrease in fatalities," said Donald O'Cain, governor's representative for highway safety, "we continue to be saddened by the fact that so many of those killed were not taking the potentially lifesaving advantages of safety belts and other protective devices such as child safety seats. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration studies indicate that 50 percent of motorists' deaths could have been prevented by these

devices.

"Head injury is the leading cause of death and disability in motorcycle and bicycle crashes," O'Cain noted, "and a helmet can give the head potentially lifesaving protection."

"In addition to helping to prevent deaths, safety belts also are extremely effective in preventing serious injuries in motor vehicle crashes," he said. "Hundreds of Mississippians who didn't use safety belts now are suffering from permanent injuries."

"Air bags also are saving lives, but it's important to recognize that air bags are designed to be used with safety belts and that, in vehicles equipped with passenger-side air bags, children or small adults should not ride in the front seat," O'Cain said. "The force of an air bag can seriously injure these individuals."

"Any Mississippi motorists can be involved in a crash," he noted. "Don't think 'it can't happen to me.' Remember that safety belts and child protective devices can save lives and prevent years of suffering from permanent injuries. Buckling up is one of the best steps you can take for yourself and your loved ones."

First Presbyterian anniversary set

First Presbyterian Church in Bay St. Louis will have an anniversary celebration on Sunday at the church at 11 a.m.

Prior to 1949, there was no Presbyterian church in Bay St. Louis. A neighborly conversation helped set into motion the formation of a church.

A meeting on Dec. 13, 1949, laid out plans for scheduled services, and on Jan. 8, 1950, the first service was held with the 11 founding members present.

One year later, 50 people attended the first anniversary celebration.

On March 31, 1957, what was then the Presbyterian Mission became the First Presbyterian Church of Bay St. Louis. On April 20, 1960, property was purchased on Ulman Avenue for \$20,000. Renovation began immediately.

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D'head garbage fees may drop

BY ED LEPOMA

Diamondhead residents could see a reduction in garbage fees if and when the Hancock County Solid Waste District can take over collections.

It appears, however, that Diamondhead residents are locked into a contract with Waste Management Inc., of Gulfport that runs until 1998, and charges residents \$9.25 a month for weekly garbage pickup.

Ed Dabler, commissioner for the Diamondhead Fire and Solid Waste District, came to a meeting of Hancock County's Solid Waste District Wednesday to find out whether the county and its hauler, Boudin's Waste and Recycling, would consider extending garbage pickup service to Diamondhead residents in

the future.

"We're just exploring our options," Dabler said. "We're not trying to get out of our contract (with Waste Management), but we wanted to know how the District felt about the possibility."

Dabler explained that Diamondhead first signed a three-year contract with Waste Management in 1993, and it apparently had an automatic renewal clause to run three more years, which started again in 1996.

However, Dabler said, Waste Management informed his District in early 1996 that "it wanted to renegotiate the contract, but a new contract has never been sent to the District."

Currently, Diamondhead residents are charged \$9.25 a month for once-a-week garbage

pickup. Only single homes are serviced, and residents living in townhouses and condos contract privately for garbage pickup.

Hancock County currently charges residents in the two cities about \$6.50 a month for twice weekly pickup and those in unincorporated areas pay \$5 a month for weekly pickup.

Joey Boudin, who was invited to the meeting, said he could add Diamondhead to his collection route within two days after getting the word.

Les Fillingame, chairman of the Solid Waste District, told Dabler, "The District wants to help in any way we can."

Fillingame said Diamondhead residents, like other citizens, now have free access to the county's rubbish site at

Standard and to dropoff centers that have been established for recycling.

He said the District would also be interested in extending its curbside recycling to Diamondhead.

Lucien Gex, attorney for the county Solid Waste District, said if Diamondhead cancels its pact with Waste Management, a new contract to include Diamondhead in Hancock County collections would still have to be put out to public bid.

Dabler estimates a customer base of more than 2,000 residents in Diamondhead, which could add to the District's revenue base.

"We're looking for the best service we can get for the dollars we're paying," said Dabler.

Three area women honored

BY RICHARD MEEK

Three women from Hancock County and another from Pass Christian, were honored during the Mississippi Woman 1997: The Power of One Conference.

Mary Clarke, Theresa Bourgeois, and Aileen Sauzer from Hancock County and Beverly Jeanne Stanbro from Pass Christian were presented with "Unsung Heroes" during a ceremony Thursday morning at the Mississippi Gulf Coast Coliseum. The award honors women volunteers along the Gulf Coast who have excelled.

The one-day convention drew more than 500 participants, who took part in workshops on stress, successful relationships, parenting and negotiations.

Clarke, 83, has not slowed down since retiring from her days as a registered nurse. She volunteers with the American Red Cross, is a member and past secretary of the National

Association for the Advancement of Colored People, a committee member of the Youth Black History Month Oratorical Contest, a board member with the American Association of Retired Persons, and a reader at Mass at St. Rose de Lima Catholic Church.

Clarke also sings with the Retired Seniors Volunteer Program choral group, which performs weekly at nursing homes and at local events.

Clarke is the wife of retired attorney Thomas Clarke, a mother of three and grandmother of three.

She has a simple outlook on life, stemming from advice her mother once gave her. Clarke said her mother told her, "If a task is once begun, never leave it 'til it's done. Be the labor great or small, do it well or not at all."

Bourgeois has volunteered at Hancock Medical Center for the past 21 years, serving as the di-

rector of Volunteer Services for the past 10. She is described by her friends as the "consummate volunteer."

Her responsibilities include the recruitment and training of volunteers. She recognized a need for a gift shop at the hospital, and through her efforts, one opened last year.

She not only manages the store, but makes all of the floral arrangements.

Bourgeois describes herself as a "bit naughty, with a sense of humor."

Sauzer is the founding member of the Hancock County Food Pantry. For nearly 12 years, she and her husband have spent countless hours getting food to the county's needy.

Today, they are assisted by 50 volunteers. Last month alone, nearly 450 people received food baskets.

Sauzer has been married for

52 years. She says her mission is to "take care of the needy."

Stanbro is a past chairman of the Spring Pilgrimage, and a dedicated volunteer in the Mississippi Gulf Coast Council of Garden Clubs, Inc. She has also been instrumental in developing the pilgrimage tours.

Stanbro is past president of the Pass Christian Garden Club and a member of the Beach Garden Society. Her home has been open for numerous events, fund raisers, flower shows and church activities.

Stanbro, married for 47 years, is the mother of five and grandmother of seven. She has battled through a three-year bout with cancer.

As for her honor, Stanbro said, "I did not do this on my own. The true unsung heroes are all of the hundreds of other volunteers who have made the events happen."

Child immunizations week set

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS

The Hancock County Health Department, Bay St. Louis will be recognizing National Immunization Week April 21-25.

Judy Yarborough, Health Department office manager, said, the theme of the program is, "Beat Disease—Immunize Please!!!"

The local Health Department, 3062 Longfellow Road, Bay St. Louis, will be offering immunizations daily during the week from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

On Friday, April 25, immunizations will also be given at Wal-Mart, Waveland, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Members of the Bay St. Louis Rotary Club will be assisting at the Wal-Mart immunizations.

The Rotary Club has also helped in coordinating door prizes which will be given daily. Yarborough said, "This is a good time to have your child updated on his or her school shots,

so you can beat the 'back to school rush.'"

Liz Hanson, Health Department coordinating nurse, said, "Normally there is a \$5 administration fee for immunizations, but this week the \$5 will be waived."

"I do want to emphasize that never does the Health Department refuse to administer vaccines because of an inability to pay," Hanson added.

Children need to have at least 12 shots before their second birthdays to be adequately protected from vaccine preventable diseases.

It is unfortunate that many of our children are not properly immunized, Hanson said.

When a child reaches school ages four to six, another series of vaccines are needed to comply with school regulations.

Schools will not admit students without the necessary

immunizations.

Refreshments will be available throughout the week at the Health Department and also at the Wal-Mart special immunization program.

The Mississippi Statewide Children's Immunization Coalition is also a co-sponsor of the immunization program.

Among those donating prizes are, Dix Ashman, Beauty Depot, Perron's Limousine Service, Treutal Insurance Agency, Patricia Willis, attorney at law; 99¢ Store and Wal-Mart.

Other prize contributors are Princess Dress Shop, Edmond Fahey Funeral Home, Bay St. Louis Rotary Club, Pizza Hut, McDonald's, Taco Bell, Shoney's, Dairy Queen Waveland, Domino's Pizza, Kentucky Fried Chicken, Coast Coca-Cola, Burger King, Jitney Jungle, The Sea Coast Echo, Coastal Security Services, Bay Waveland Yacht Club and Casino Magic.

Yarborough stated, "Immunizations are a small investment with a lifetime of returns."

The Health Department will also be distributing information on other health related programs during the week

Pass hires Weidman

BY ED LEPOMA

Pass Christian has a new Parks and Recreation Director.

The Board of Aldermen last Tuesday selected Stan Weidman for the post recently vacated by Irvin Hall. Weidman will be paid \$21,000 annually.

He is a former Waveland alderman and has served as parks and recreation director in Yazoo City and in Slidell. He worked six years for Mississippi's State Parks Commission, and at one time, Weidman managed Bucaneer Park.

Weidman was elected Ward 4 Alderman in Waveland in 1990 and served in 1994, when he ran unsuccessfully for mayor.

Since October of 1995 until last August, Weidman worked in Florida with at-risk youths.

He has a bachelor's degree in municipal recreation administration and a master's in outdoor resources and park management from the University of Southern Mississippi, and recently returned to Waveland.

Hall resigned to take a better paying job, according to Mayor Billy McDonald, but his organizational and public relations skills came under attack last spring by parents involved in the city's softball programs.

Hall had been appointed to the position on an interim basis in November of 1995, then was hired fulltime in February of

1996.

Before that, his background included work for the federal government.

CITY COUNCILMAN FOR WARD 3

Charles Johnson VOTE

Bay St. Louis lifetime resident and 1970 Bay High School graduate, Charles Johnson, 45 is a member of the First Missionary Baptist Church.

During the past nine years, Johnson has been employed with JE Merit Construction, Inc., a sub-contractor for GE Plastics, as a leadhand supervisor. He was formerly employed with the Retired Senior Volunteers Program for 15 years.

He has a son, Marcus Lester, 6, who attends Charles B. Murphy Elementary School.

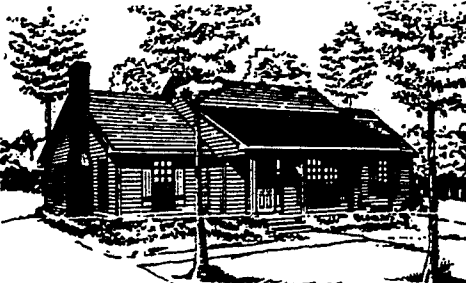
For almost 20 years, Johnson has worked closely with the handicapped and volunteers with the county's Headstart program.

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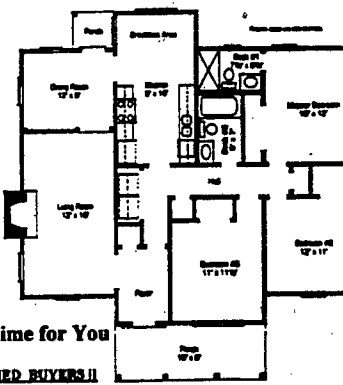
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"CUEVAS" QUOTES

By Ellis C. Cuevas

A special event takes place this week throughout the State of Mississippi.

National Immunization Week is being celebrated and sponsored by the Hancock County Health Department and Mississippi Statewide Children's Immunization Coalition.

As most parents know, there are many immunizations required for youngsters before they can enter school.

Special emphasis is being placed across the state April 21-25 to get as many immunizations as possible.

The Hancock County Health Department is located at 3062 Longfellow Road next to the Civic Center. Hours for immunizations will be from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, April 21-25 at the Health Department.

A Special Outreach will also be on Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Wal-Mart, Waveland.

There will be door prizes given daily for the special immunization week.

Among those donating prizes are Dix Ashman, Beauty Depot, Perron's Limousine Service, Treutel Insurance Agency, Patricia Willis, attorney at law; 99¢ Store, Wal-Mart, Princess Dress Shop, Edmond Fahey Funeral Home, Bay St. Louis Rotary Club, Pizza Hut, McDonald's, Taco Bell, Shoney's, Dairy Queen, Waveland, Domino's Pizza, Kentucky Fried Chicken, Coast Coca-Cola, Burger King, Jitney Jungle, The Sea Coast Echo, Coastal Security Services, Bay-Waveland Yacht Club and Casino Magic.

Judy Yarborough, Health Department office manager said, "Immunizations are a small investment with a lifetime of returns."

For further information, call 467-4510.

On Saturday, April 26, *Christmas in April*, a one-day blitz to repair and rehabilitate the homes of the low-income elderly or disabled will take place in Hancock County.

There is one home each in Bay St. Louis, Waveland and Clermont Harbor.

Basil Kennedy is the local coordinator for Hancock County's *Christmas in April* project, which is affiliated with *Christmas in April*, Harrison County, which is a 501(c)(3) organization and a member of *Christmas in April**USA*.

I know that Casino Magic employees plan on assisting in a group on the Bay St. Louis home while GE Plastics employees will be assisting as a group at the Clermont Harbor project.

I am hoping there will be a big turnout at all three projects.

The Hancock County Chamber of Commerce's *Business After Hours* will be held Thursday from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Bay-Waveland Yacht Club.

Sponsors for the big event is the Hancock County Exchange Club.

The Exchange Club in Hancock County is very active and involved in several community projects and places emphasis on the Prevention of Child Abuse.

I have been told this will be a very special evening, so come and enjoy yourself.

The *Business After Hours* is open to chamber members and guests.



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Celebrates 97th birthday

Mrs. Mattie Sams of Bay St. Louis celebrated her 97th birthday on Friday, April 18. Mrs. Sams was born in Georgia and is the wife of the late Rev. N.L. Sams, and they were Pearl River residents for many years. A party by relatives and friends was given in her honor at her Bay St. Louis home to celebrate her birthday. Mrs. Sams is the mother of two children, one deceased, and also guardian of several other children.

ASK THE V.A.

By Donald Mauffray
Veterans Service Officer

VA questions and answers

Q. I had emergency room care. The hospital submitted a claim that Champus returned for more information. When the hospital did not send the information, Champus denied the claim, and I am getting bills from a collection agency. What can I do?

A. Regardless of what happens to a claim, you are responsible for paying for medical care you receive. Contact the billing agency and arrange to start making payments to protect your credit. Then contact the hospital's insurance department for help with getting Champus the information it needs to process the claim. If the hospital does not cooperate, contact your state's hospital association.

Q. I am facing bankruptcy and the foreclosure of my home. Is there any way to have the Board of Veterans' Appeals (BVA) decide my case more quickly?

A. If you believe you have sufficient reason to have your case heard before others filed before yours, you may submit to BVA a motion to advance your case on the docket.

You need to show convincing proof of exceptional circumstances before your case can be advanced. Traditionally, fewer than 15 percent of such requests have been granted.

Q. After filing the appeal when will I first hear something from BVA?

A. BVA will notify you in writing when it receives a copy of your VA Form 9 from the local VA office and places your appeal on BVA's docket. You will also be informed when your claims folder is transferred to the Board for review.

Q. I have heard the Department of Veterans Affairs home loan program described by a military recruiter as being one of those few benefits that an honorably discharged servicemember can use over and over. What does that mean?

A. When certain conditions are met, eligible veterans can move up to better homes or to different locations throughout their lifetimes by repeatedly using their home loan benefits. The program is designed to help veterans improve their living conditions and financial status.

full the VA loan used to purchase the property and selling the property, or through other steps.

Q. What are the other options for restoring full entitlement?

A. In addition to paying off the loan that was used to purchase a property, you might look for a qualified buyer who is also a veteran who would agree to assume the VA loan and substitute his/her entitlement for the same amount of entitlement you originally used.

Q. Can I buy successive properties with full entitlement and hold them for rental?

A. No. The entitlement may be restored one time only if the veteran has repaid the prior VA loan in full but has not disposed of the property purchased with it.

Q. My husband receives a pension from VA. Will I automatically continue to get his check while he's in jail?

A. No. You or the veteran should file a claim for appointment of his benefits to you while he is incarcerated. This is not automatic. For information, contact the VA at 1-800-827-1000 or your local veterans service officer. For Hancock County, call 467-2100.

Q. I read that there is a requirement that GI Bill benefits must be used at institutions offering at least a two-year degree, but that this policy is being reconsidered. Is that correct?

A. No. Eligible veterans and service members long have received benefits for certain non-degree courses, such as studies geared toward a certificate program at vocational schools.

What is being considered in Congress would provide some new degree-granting institutions relief from the requirement they be in operation two years before they can be approved for VA training. If you want to know more about education or training goals and the status of your eligibility with the VA, contact us at 1-800-827-1000.

Q. How do I go about getting a refund of my contribution to the VA?

A. If you have contributed to the VA and want a refund, you must first apply for and receive a discharge from the VA. Once you are discharged, you can apply for a refund of your contribution.

FROM THE GOVERNOR

By Governor Kirk Fordice

Why I vetoed Senate Bill 2649

On April 10, I vetoed Senate Bill 2649, the Adequate Education Funding Act. I support the idea of equity school funding, and I am prepared to work with the Mississippi Legislature to achieve this goal for the children of Mississippi. I have grave concerns, however, about S.B. 2649, passed in the waning days of the 1997 regular session.

Working together, the Mississippi Legislature and this administration have made great strides to improve the Mississippi public education system.

The Legislature has passed and I have signed three teacher pay raise bills — the most recent I signed only days ago, on April 10.

We have provided state health insurance for teachers. Just this past session, the Mississippi Legislature enacted innovative Charter Schools legislation, streamlined the teacher and administrator certification process, and provided GED opportunities for students in alternative education who otherwise might become school dropouts. All the while, state funding for K-12 has increased dramatically.

Education funding has increased from \$1.2 billion in FY 1992 to \$1.6 billion in FY 1997, an increase of more than 36 percent. During the last five years, the children of Mississippi have received our best efforts to enhance and enrich the public education system.

Philosophically, I do not believe that throwing ever-increasing amounts of taxpayer dollars at the public education system will magically result in higher student test scores. Even the most ardent promoters of increased education funding must admit that the funding level for a district is only one factor that influences the success of the students.

In an attempt to save what is essentially a good concept, I have requested the Mississippi Legislature to address the following concerns.

• The cost of the program must be accurately defined and must not open the door for future budget shortfalls. The total cost of this new program has been advertised as costing an additional \$130 million per year of state taxpayer money.

Unfortunately, the true cost of the program after fiscal year

98 is simply unknown, and probably higher. The bill does not limit or specify future cost increases and growth.

We must not allow runaway spending and overly optimistic revenue projections to bring Mississippi to her fiscal knees — as the previous gubernatorial administration left her in 1992. One of the darkest days of my term occurred in 1992, when I was forced to make more than \$70 million in budget cuts to stem an imminent tide of red ink.

• We should not encourage excessive bond debt for school districts. The local bond issuance features of S.B. 2649 were of serious concern to me and would be to most responsible citizens. The bill could result in almost \$1 billion new bond debt on the local level, while bypassing the normal requirement of taxpayer referendum approval.

As a local taxpayer, you could be assuming more local bond debt and may never get the opportunity to say anything about it.

• There are no teacher pay raises in this legislation. Instead, the bill specifically provides that the money raised through the year 2003 can be used only for capital improvements in a district.

• Promises made to pass the 1992 1¢ sales tax increase should be honored. One of the incentives used to pass the 1992 bill, which increased your sales taxes from 6 cents to 7 cents per dollar, was a promise to use part of the money to decrease local property taxes.

A special ad valorem tax reduction fund was created for this purpose. S.B. 2649 raids this account in future years and diverts the growth in the fund to pay for this new education project.

S.B. 2649 attempts to provide a new standard of adequate education by targeting per-pupil expenditures. This is an improvement over the existing Minimum Program of Education.

I am willing to roll up my sleeves and work with the legislative leadership in the coming days to try to overcome these and other differences we may have in the particulars of this legislation. The future of our children and the solvency of our state deserve no less.

Letters Welcome

The Sea Coast Echo welcomes comments from its readers on subjects of general interest. Letters must be signed and include address or phone number so that the sender can be contacted by the newspaper if necessary. Letters should be brief, preferably typewritten and double spaced, and conform to standards of good taste.

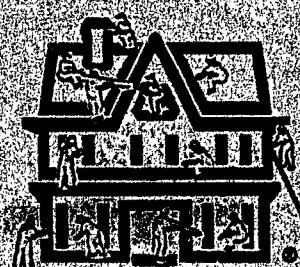
Letters of thanks, expressions of appreciation and political endorsements are considered inappropriate for the *Letters to the Editor* columns.

—Ellis Cuevas, publisher

Volunteers Needed!

Help make your neighbors' world a little brighter by joining forces with the Hancock County Chapter Christmas in April committee. They repair and rehabilitate three area homes on April 26.

The homes are located in Bay St. Louis, Waveland and Clermont Harbor, and are owned and occupied by disabled and/or elderly persons who are unable to repair them themselves.



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SSC, OLA clinch division track titles

Special to the Echo
Some things never change. That old adage seems to hold true with St. Stanislaus and Our Lady Academy track teams. SSC took a mere 13 point lead after the first day and produced a 50 point victory over the other District 7 Class 4A teams on Thursday at Hancock High School. SSC has won their division track meet 12 out of the past 13 years. The Rocks lost the division track meet by one point in 1995 on a disputed call on the last event of the meet.

SSC scored 155 points to second place Bay High's 105 points. The Rocks used depth in qualifying an individual or relay team in every event with exception of the 100-meter dash. Oak Grove finished third with 78 points and Picayune was fourth with 77 points. Petal tallied 57 points for fifth place and Hancock finished with 51 points.

The top four places in each event move on to regional competition on April 26 at Hancock High School.

To start the day, Andy Brown of SSC won the 110-meter hurdles in 15.03.

The 100-meter dash was won by Daryl Williams of Hancock in 10.73. Bay High placed second and third with James Beton and Ronald Brown, respectively. Benton ran the race in 10.88 while Brown was clocked at 11.09.

The 800-meter relay was won by Bay High in 1:31.10. SSC finished second with a time of 1:33.09. Hancock placed fourth in 1:38.16.

Picayune's Matt Godwin won the 1600-meter run with a time of 4:56.37. Mike Mancuso of SSC placed second with a time of 4:58.36.

The 400-meter relay race was won by Bay High in 44.42. SSC placed third with a time of 45.80 after a bad handoff on the first exchange. Hancock finished third with a time of 45.93.

The 400-meter dash title was won by SSC's Hoff with a time of 52.90. Williams of Bay High placed second with 54.06. Picayune's Michael Parker placed third in 55.24.

Brown of SSC took top honors in the 300-meter intermediate hurdles with a time of 40.47. Thomas Rancifer of Picayune placed second in 44.24.

The 800-meter run was won by Kippy Chamberlain on SSC with a time of 2:11.73. Picayune placed second and third with Godwin and Terrance Davis, respectively. Godwin had a time of 2:13.58 and Davis crossed the line at 2:16.39. Mancuso of SSC placed fourth with a time of 2:16.73.

The 200-meter dash was won by Brown of Bay High in 22.69. Hoff of SSC placed second in 22.93.

The 1600-meter relay was won by Bay High in 3:37.88. SSC finished second in 3:38.87. Picayune placed third with a time of 3:48.79.

In District 7 4A girls action, Picayune surged ahead of Bay High during the running events. Bay High and Hancock were deadlocked at 26 points after the first day; however, Picayune used a strong showing in the sprints and relays to take over the top spot. Picayune finished with 78 points.

Bay High finished second with 69 points. Oak Grove was third with 68 points, Hancock 65 points, and Petal 43 points.

Christina Bradley of Bay High placed second in the 100-meter low hurdles with a time of 18.43.

The 800-meter relay was won by Picayune in 1:52.29. Bay High finished third in 1:54.73.

Picayune's Cheryl Wilson won the 1600-meter run with a time of 8:24.33. Bay High's Keely Marshall placed second in 6:27.97.

The 400-meter relay race was won by Picayune in 52.65. Bay High placed second in 53.80 and Hancock finished third in 58.43.

Picayune's Jenny Combs placed second in the 400-meter dash with a time of 1:08.24. Hancock's Vicki Lander placed third in 1:09.24 and Bay High's

a time 55.78 and Casey Tolar of Hancock placed fourth in 57.37.

The 800-meter run had Wilson of Picayune winning the event in 2:49.45. Marshall of Bay High placed second in 2:52.56. Amy Cuevas of Hancock placed third with a time of 2:54.19.

The 200-meter dash was won by Magee of Picayune in 26.08. Jaynell Payne placed third for Bay High with a time of 29.18.

Hancock placed second in the 1600-meter relay with a time of 4:44.65. Bay High placed fourth with a time of 4:59.27.

In 2A girls action, OLA won every running event of the day.

Coach Harry Hull commented, "This is amazing. It has never happened to us before. We won all the running events and two field events. We have a lot of talent and it showed today."

OLA finished the meet with a total of 217 points. Sumrall finished second with 102 points. Lumberton was third with 88 points, Richton fourth 25 points, Seminary fifth 10 points, and Mercy Cross sixth with 8 points.

The 100-meter low hurdles was won by Emily Alford in a time of 17.57. Beth Harris placed third for OLA in 18.68.

Kristin Cannon and Latonya

Piernas placed first and second in the 100-meter dash, respectively, with times of 13.03 and 13.64.

The 800-meter relay time for OLA 1:54.47.

The 1600-meter run was won by Missy McPhail in a time of 6:22.49. Lauren Hansell placed second for OLA in 6:26.97.

The 400-meter relay time for OLA was 53.99.

The 400-meter dash was won by Leslie Esher in 1:04.90. Beth Harris placed third for OLA in 1:13.97.

The 300-meter low hurdles was won by Kim Frazier with a time of 58.62. Harris placed

fourth for OLA with a time 1:00.13.

Esher won the 800-meter run in 2:43.14. Hansell placed second for OLA with a time of 2:49.89.

The 200-meter dash was won by Cannon in 27.11. Piernas was second for OLA with a time of 28.67.

The 1600-meter relay time for OLA was 4:43.49.

The regional Class 4A meet will be held on Saturday, April 26 at 10 am at Hancock High School.

The Class 2A regional meet will be held on Monday, April 21 at Bay Springs High School.

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DEQ

Moran later told the Echo supervisors might abandon the Prutimber purchase and look elsewhere, Moran said supervisors have asked other local realtors to help them look for available land.

Even if supervisors give up on the Prutimber tract, Palmer said, "If you still intend to locate and construct a new Subtitle D landfill, and another facility for rubbish disposal, we must have specific schedules for these acquisition activities."

He continued, "It appears that Hancock County clearly

needs help in finding suitable locations for these facilities, but the process appears to be unstructured and could literally could go on indefinitely."

Addressing the rubbish site issue, Palmer said supervisors asked DEQ if the county might use a strip of land that lies along the access road to dump additional rubbish at Standard.

"We do not perform soil evaluations," said Palmer. He suggested the board's consultants need to perform the required geological testing to determine

if the site is suitable.

If the site is found unsuitable, Palmer said DEQ might consider downgrading the facility and limiting what can be dumped there in the future or it could allow continued dumping of all items now being disposed of provided the county constructs a suitable clay liner to overcome inadequacies of the soils present in the area.

"We do not know how much thought, if any, has been given to the option...but...in light of the difficulties you face in finding alternative sites and the

growing possibility that you will not be able to find locations for new facilities until well beyond our tolerance limit for the status quo at Standard, we suggest that you at least consider asking consultants to advise you about the clay liner," Palmer advised.

Palmer said another matter not addressed by Moran was the status of 96 acres of Sixteen Section land adjacent to the rubbish site that is owned by the Hancock County School District, but for which a landfill

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permit has been issued.

Palmer said Moran told DEQ "informally" that the School Board would not further entertain the possibility of selling or leasing the additional acreage to the county for an extension of the rubbish site or for landfill purposes, "but we have seen nothing official (i.e. letters or meeting minutes) about this."

"If you believe that this option is absolutely unavailable...then just tell us officially, and this option will be put to rest," said Palmer.

Last June, when supervisors officially requested the extension for Standard, which was approved, Palmer said the county maintained it was "committed to negotiating with existing facilities, either within or outside Hancock County to meet your Class I rubbish disposal needs."

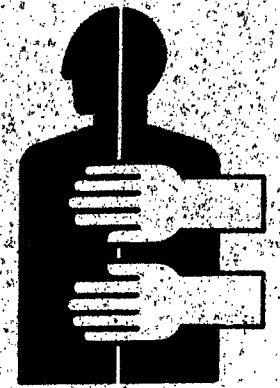
He said DEQ heard informally that supervisors were considering utilizing the Mississippi Pumping and Disposal Services facility in the buffer zone, "but we have received no official word from you on this matter."

Palmer concluded, "Right now, even if we were inclined to consider some additional relief from present compliance deadlines, we are having to strain to find evidence of...progress."

Last June when Palmer came to speak with county officials, he was accompanied by Charles Chisholm, head of DEQ's Office of Pollution Control and that office's environmental administrator Billy Warden.

Besides supervisors, the mayors of Bay St. Louis and Waveland attended that meeting, along with their representatives on the Solid Waste District. Some interested Bay St. Louis councilmen and Waveland aldermen also attended.

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mercial and C-2, Highway Commercial, but requests require a hearing before the Planning Commission, said Gavney.

Under a policy recently adopted by supervisors, petitioners seeking a conditional

use pay a \$35 fee for the hearing, in addition to the compliance fee. The Planning Commission can grant the conditional use.

If the petition is denied, the

applicant can appeal to supervisors to override the commission's decision, said Gavney.

"The bottom line is people need to find out what area they are in before they purchase a

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trailer," said Gavney. He said people can get the information by calling the office at 467-4157 from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. on weekdays or by visiting the office at 151 Main Street across from the county courthouse.

Site

old "was irrelevant."

"But, the church has been here over 100 years, and it's inconceivable that such an idea would even come up for discussion," said McDonald.

Jeff Nancarius, who owns 125 Railroad Street, called from a Virginia suburb of Washington, D.C. after a friend called to tell him his house might be in harm's way.

He said he purchased the home last April, and was in the process of renovating it with in-

tentions to move his mother in with him when she retires.

"I've already put a lot of money and time into that house. It would be a real shame to lose it now," said Nancarius.

Sandy Smith of Evergreen Antiques at the corner of Main and Second Streets, said she is trying to organize a group of citizens to protest the plans at Tuesday night's meeting of the Bay St. Louis City Council.

Asked why she was going to City Hall rather than the super-

visors, Smith said, "We're going as citizens to tell them we don't like it, and we are going to fight it as hard as we can."

"If the city doesn't help us, we will go to the county, and we'll hire an attorney if we have to," she said.

The three homes facing Railroad Street are all listed on the National Register of Historic Places and are Queen Anne cot-

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tages built Circa 1870-1880 and occupied ever since.

Last April, 90 residents and businesses downtown signed a petition opposing a proposal that would have converted the old post office on Main Street into a juvenile detention facility. Members of the First Baptist Church, which is located next door, also signed the petition.

Pre-registration date set for area youngsters

The Bay St. Louis-Waveland School District announces that North Bay and Waveland Elementary Schools will hold Kindergarten pre-registration for the 1997-98 school term Friday, May 2 in each school library between 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Students who reside within the Bay St. Louis-Waveland School District and plan to enter Kindergarten at North Bay or Waveland Elementary School are encouraged to pre-register.

A certified copy of the child's birth certificate, a Certificate of Compliance from the health department or family physician, social security number and two current proof of residence (documents such as driver's license, utility bills, apartment or home lease, mortgage documents or property deed, homestead exemption application form, voter precinct identification, automobile registration or affidavit of residency) are re-

quired at pre-registration.

Mississippi law mandates that children who are to enter Kindergarten must attain the age of five on or before Sept. 1, 1997.

District residents residing on Washington Street (north of Hwy. 90) and west, including the City of Waveland and the Shoreline Park area, should pre-register at Waveland Elementary School, 1101 St. Joseph Street, Waveland. All other district residents residing in the City of Bay St. Louis should register at North Bay Elementary School, 740 Dunbar Avenue, Bay St. Louis.

All parents are urged to pre-register their eligible children. Any questions concerning pre-registration should be directed to Katherine Wilson, principal of North Bay Elementary at 467-4757 or Debbie Cox, Principal of Waveland Elementary at 467-6630.

Bayside man shot

BY RICHARD MEEK
A Bayside Park man was shot in the leg after an altercation with another Bayside resident, Hancock County Sheriff Office officials said.

Investigator Matt Karl said John Frascella, who is 53, was shot by Harry Britian, 67, last Thursday at about 3 p.m. after an altercation in Britian's residence on Bayside Drive. Karl said Frascella admitted to being intoxicated, and drinking while sitting in a car with an ac-

quaintance outside of Britian's home.

Karl said Frascella allegedly entered Britian's home, and a scuffled ensued between the two. Frascella allegedly knocked Britian to the ground, at which time Britian shot Frascella above the knee with a .38 pistol. Frascella was taken to Hancock Medical Center.

Karl said no charges have been filed, but the incident is still under investigation.

Taylor to host town meeting for fishermen

South Mississippi Congressman Gene Taylor will host a town meeting at the Pass Christian VFW Hall Monday, April 21, 6-7:30 p.m. to address the concerns of local fishermen. Representatives from the Department of Marine Resources (DMR) will also be on hand.

"Our fishermen, particularly our oystermen, have been hit hard in recent months," said Taylor. "I hope that this meeting will help explain some of the things we are doing at the state and federal level to address their concerns."

Taylor, who has held a number of town meetings in recent months, said even though he decided to host this particular meeting for fishermen, he welcomes input from all residents.

During the 105th Congress, Taylor has held meetings in Vancleave, d'Iberville, Hattiesburg, Picayune, Gulfport, Poplarville, Lucedale, Richton and Oak Grove. Taylor said the gatherings have been very successful and he is planning more

like them in other communities throughout the 11 counties he represents.

Notice to candidates

The deadline to receive copy for free candidate announcements to appear in The Echo for the May Democratic Primary and June General Election is Monday, April 21, 5 p.m.

Quattro Pro course

Students can learn the basics of Quattro Pro in a non-credit course available through the University of Southern Mississippi, Gulf Coast's Division of Continuing Education in April.

For information or to register, call (601) 865-4508 or (601) 897-5135.

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The Special Olympics Celebrity Golf Tournament will be held at Millbrook Golf and Country Club in Picayune April 28.

Tee time is 12:30 p.m.

The tournament, which sup-

port Special Olympic activities in Area 3 (Pearl River, Stone, Hancock and Harrison counties) has been hosted annually since 1982 by the members of Millbrook Golf and Country Club, the Picayune Kiwanis

Club and employees of Stennis Space Center.

Proceeds from the tournament support Special Olympic events sponsored by the Picayune Kiwanis Club, a Special Olympic field day at Stennis Space Center and other Area 3 events. The tournament features current and former athletic celebrities and state officials.

The format is a scramble, and teams will be arranged to include celebrities and Special Olympic athletes. The scramble format permits experienced

players as well as beginners to participate.

The \$50 entry fee includes golf carts, a post tournament meal prepared by the Picayune Kiwanis Club and refreshments. Special events will include a chipping contest, putting contest, long drive contest and events on the Par "3" holes.

Mail entry fees to: Millbrook Golf and Country Club, P.O. Box 160, Picayune, MS 39455 (phone: 601/798-8711) by April 24. A free practice round (carts not included) is provided April 25.

Park Ten bowling results

April 4

Friday Night Out

High Games/High Series: Norm Postier 224, 269, 185 - 678; David Anderson 257, Cecil Crowell 212, 207, 213 - 632; Charles Pique Jr. 201, 267, 234 - 702; Richard Haney 237, 205; Darwin Helms 203, 224; Louis Zinc 209, 227; Mike Sanusky 213; Larry Loveless 202, 216, 184 - 602; Sid Walker 210, 203, 206 - 619; Sally Moore 200, Rick Moore 204, Larry Olier 246, Dan Olszewski 202; Andy Andrews 232, Sammy Vance 204.

April 2

Ladies Night Out

High Games/High Series: Debbi Carver 161, 156, 198 - 515; Gerry Baden 179, 182, 203, 564; Diane Whittle 162, 202, 169 - 533; Suzi Isley 168, 177, 156 - 501; Karin Brossette 159, 187, 178 - 524; Darnell Whittinger 160, 202, 174 - 536.

April 9

Ladies Night Out

High Games/High Series: Alex Jones 174, 158, 174 - 506; Jettie Darouse 175, 168, 210 - 553; Sandra Vance 151, 182, 178 - 511; Donna Hanson 225, 190, 194 - 609; Diane Whittle 183, 185, 141 - 509.

April 10

Triton Systems

High Games: Jeff Ogden 216, Sonny Smith 212, Bob Sherman 201.

April 16

Ladies Night Out

Darnell Wenninger 168, 161, 186 - 515; Alicia Carle 188, 177, 233 - 598; Cathy Parker 201, 148, 167 - 506; Lorraine Vance 168, 167, 200 - 535; Hilda Bourg 223, 149, 169 - 541; Jettie Darouse 174, 171, 182 - 527; Sandra Vance 222, 192, 174 - 588; Suzi Isley 170, 184, 186 - 540.

April 17

Thursday Mixed Nuts

High Games/Series: Ken Kipping 222, Toni Holt 214, Ed McLaughlin 247, 200 - 616; Gary Reddle 223, Jon Higgins

Morning Glory bowling results

April 7

High Game Scratch

Denise Poulton 205.

High Game/Series Handicap

Denise Poulton 246 - 644;

JoAnn Cucurullo 242 - 656; Pat

Taylor 238 - 631; Carol Guil-

mino 238 - 664; Jan Stepanck

225 - 631; Rachel LeBlanc 222 -

607; Clarice Wischmann 221 -

637; Shelly Champagne 220,

Betty Marshall 219, Heidi Poll-

lard 219, Alex Jones 217 - 620

April 14

High Game/Series Scratch

LaRue Carpenter 234, 235,

218 - 687.

High Game/Series Handicap

Alex Jones 235 - 650; LaRue

Carpenter 235, 234, 218 - 687;

Elaine Williams 231 - 634; Clar-

ice Wischmann 227; Pat Taylor

222, Virginia Cries 221 - 615;

Peggy Knapp 220, Jeannie Fil-

lingame 217 - 629; Muriel

Ozanne 217, Elaine Spiers 211,

JoAnn Cucurullo 211.

Falgout Ruth umpire

Babe Ruth League Inc. announces Lonnie J. Falgout Sr. of Bay St. Louis as a member of the Babe Ruth National Umpire Association.

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Along with the Coast's booming economy, Merchants Bank has grown to become one of the strongest and safest financial institutions in the state, with 19 locations, 140 employees and more than \$208 million in assets.

We thank each of our valued customers for making our bank the success it is today. And we thank our employees for their continuing commitment to superior service.

These traditions of commitment to our community and to superior service will continue with the Whitney. Many of you are already familiar with the Whitney, a strong, well-capitalized bank. It has been serving Gulf Coast families and businesses for more than 114 years.

We think you'll be pleased with all that the Whitney offers, and we look forward to serving Mississippi families and businesses for many years to come.

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William R. Allison

Merchants Bank is now the Whitney.



BUSINESS NEWS

SA- THE SEA COAST ECHO—SUNDAY, APRIL 20, 1997

Everyone is vulnerable to credit card fraud

I received a telephone call from my credit card company last Sunday. The credit card company representative asked me if I had attempted to charge a car repair in Los Angeles, Calif. the evening before. As she suspected — since I was speaking to her from my home in Ocean Springs, I had not.

She proceeded to tell me that someone had tried to charge \$950 in car repair using a credit card with my number. The charge was denied by the credit card company's processing system. Through some marvel of technology, their system detected an abnormality in the card that was used to make the charge.

Now the card company was calling to find out if my card had been stolen. It had not, the thief had stolen the information on the card, not the card itself. My information had then been used to make a counterfeit credit card. Fortunately, charges on the new card were unsuccessful.

The next step was to close out my account and issue a new number and card. My card company representative reviewed other recent transactions to look for unauthorized charges that may have slipped through the system.

Other charges, since my last billing statement, were made locally and were of much smaller amounts. The card company asked me to check my next billing statement, in case someone tried to use the card again. As a safeguard, I retrieved my



CONSUMER UPDATE

By Jan Lukens, MBA, CFP
Consumer Money Management Specialist

last month's statement and checked it a second time.

On Monday, I called several consumer agencies that deal with credit cards and credit card fraud. The Consumer Protection Division of the Mississippi Attorney General's Office (800-281-4418) has not received any similar complaints and is not aware of any credit card duplication schemes in Mississippi at this time. Nationally, numerous cases of crime rings producing credit cards with stolen credit card information have been cited.

To protect myself from further credit card fraud, I am taking some precautionary measures. I contacted the fraud division of each of the major credit bureaus and asked that a fraud alert be placed on my credit file. This means that each time an application for credit is made in my name and my credit file is requested, I will be contacted by phone to verify that I am the person making the application. The alert will remain

on my credit file for seven years or until I write each bureau and ask that it be removed.

Below is a listing of the fraud assistance divisions of each bureau:

Trans Union, 1-800-680-7289
Equifax, 1-800-525-6285
Experian, 1-800-422-4879

There is one more step I can take to protect my card from future theft. I can put a password on my credit card. When I use the card, the point-of-sale terminal will prompt the merchant to ask for my password. If the person using the card cannot give the correct password, the charge will not be processed.

This experience proves to me how potentially vulnerable we are to credit card fraud. Even those of us who know the guidelines and try to protect ourselves can fall victim. The good news is that credit card companies are developing powerful tools to fight fraud.

Thanks to my card company, the theft was discovered before I received the bill. Processing codes and a thorough screening process told them I was not the person trying to make the charge. A quick phone call proved them right and alerted me to a potentially disastrous situation.

If you have been the victim of credit card fraud, use the phone numbers listed above to protect your credit record.

For information, call the National Fraud Information Center at 1-800-876-7060.

FINANCIAL FOCUS

Submitted by Craig Foster
Edward Jones Co.

Beware of the friendly voice

It's time for another episode of "One Savings Account to Give," the true-life drama that illustrates the truth of that adage, "If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is."

Our story begins with Joe Victim, an ordinary guy who, like many other people, has been keeping an eye on the rising stock market, wondering if he should "get in on the action."

One night, the phone rings during dinner. It is a Friendly Voice on the line, full of information about investing in the market. The timing is fortuitous, but since Joe has been considering just this type of investing, he listens attentively.

The Friendly Voice phones regularly. During each call, it shares information about several stocks that are "moving up dramatically." Joe is impressed with the knowledge displayed. Soon, the Friendly Voice and Joe are on a first-name basis.

One day, the Friendly Voice

offers a familiar-name stock with a "heckuva" story. Now the Voice is not only friendly, but persuasive. Joe Victim buys 100 shares. This modest purchase does well, boosting Joe's confidence in investing and in his over-the-phone adviser.

Next, the Friendly Voice suggests some "serious" investing and proposes a purchase of 10,000 shares for \$85,000. "I don't have that kind of money," Joe says. The Friendly Voice understands, and systematically reduces the suggested purchase until Joe agrees to raise about half that much by selling company stock acquired through years of payroll deductions.

When the "hot" stock immediately drops \$10,000, Joe is concerned, but the Friendly Voice calls with Big News about the company and urges Joe to buy more, now. This opportunity can't wait. Joe agrees: after all, the Friendly Voice is a pro, and knows what

to do, right?

The ending to this tale is as predictable as the plot of last week's made-for-TV movie. Everybody goes belly up, and Joe Victim, who is now several thousand dollars lighter, finds himself recounting his experience for a securities arbitration hearing.

The most bothersome aspect of Joe's story is that it didn't have to happen. Industry, government and media watchdogs continually warn people against giving money to someone they don't know working for a firm they've never heard of, especially over the telephone.

Still, hundreds of these calls are made daily, and hundreds of people fall prey. How do the callers get our names? Prospect lists are available for purchase from a number of sources. If you've ever subscribed to a financial publication, chances are your name is on somebody's list, and someday you will receive a questionable call.

Of course, legitimate investment counselors also may call. Use your common sense to discern. Legitimate brokers do not make calls offering great money-making deals to strangers all across the country. They do not promise quick riches. Legitimate firms continually monitor their salespeople to ensure strict compliance with industry regulations.

So when a call comes offering an investment opportunity, ask yourself if the claim or promise made is realistic. If the offer doesn't ring true, ring off. Even if the call is legitimate, check out the salesperson and the firm. Above all, never give your money to anyone you don't know.

Call your market condi-

Georgia-Pacific reports first quarter earnings

Georgia-Pacific Corp. has reported net income of \$90 million (99 cents per share) for the three months ended March 31, 1997, including an after-tax net gain of \$90 million (88 cents per share) on the sale of its Martell, Calif., assets, compared with net income of \$50 million (55 cents per share) for the 1996 first quarter.

Excluding the gain, the company reported operating profits of \$186 million in the 1997 first quarter, compared with year-ago quarterly operating profits of \$243 million.

Georgia-Pacific's pulp and paper business reported operating profits of \$176 million in the first quarter, compared with \$172 million in the fourth quarter of 1996.

were \$161 million, excluding the gain on the sale of the Martell assets, compared with \$67 million a year ago. The distribution division's operating loss of the quarter was \$33 million, versus a loss of \$38 million a year ago that included \$17 million of restructuring charges.

Sales for the 1997 quarter were \$3.15 billion, compared with \$3.05 billion in the 1996 period. The company generated cash from operations of \$118 million and made capital expenditures of \$131 million during the quarter.

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BUSINESS NEWS

THE SEA COAST ECHO—SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 1997

Whitney acquires Merchants

BY BETSY GAGNET
Merchants Bancshares, Inc., parent company of Merchants Bank and Trust Company, has been acquired by Whitney Holding Corporation and the Whitney National Bank of Mississippi has been formed.

Although Merchants is now Whitney, officials said person-

nel and customer services will remain the same.

"There will be no difference between Friday and Monday except for the name change," explained John C. Hope III, Executive Vice-President of Whitney Holding Corporation.

"When (the bank) opens Monday morning (it will) open as the

Whitney National Bank of Mississippi.

He said the bank will begin changing the signs at locations next week, but it will take two to three weeks to complete the changes. The main branch in Gulfport will be outfitted with the traditional Whitney clock.

Customers will be able to continue using their Merchants Bank checks with no problem. New Whitney checks will be issued, but customer account numbers will remain the same, Hope explained.

"We don't anticipate any inconvenience to the customer," he said.

Bank locations will also remain the same, according to Hope, although it is hoped there will be an expansion of services especially in the Pascagoula and Biloxi areas.

Merchants Bank opened in 1903 in the old Sea Coast Echo Building in Bay St. Louis and grew to 19 locations and more than \$208 million in assets.

Whitney has been in opera-

tion since 1883 and has assets of over \$4.2 billion.

With its acquisition of Merchants Bank, Whitney operates over 100 banking locations in the four state Gulf Coast region of Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Florida.

"With this merger, we've completed an important step in our strategic plan," said Whitney Chairman and Chief Executive Officer William L. Marks. "Many families and companies travel and do business along the Gulf Coast. They can now bank with the Whitney and be served from the Acadiana region of Louisiana, across southern Mississippi and Alabama, and into the Panhandle of Florida."

William R. Allison will serve as the President and Chief Executive Officer of Whitney National Bank of Mississippi.

Former Merchant's Chairman, Guy C. Billups, Jr., will continue as Chairman of the local Advisory Board of Directors and as a Director of Whitney Holding Corporation.

Revenues up, debts down at state port in Gulfport

With expenses holding steady, bonded indebtedness falling, and average maritime revenue on the rise, the financial picture looks bright for the Mississippi State Port Authority at Gulfport, according to a mid-year financial report outlined at a recent meeting of the port's board of commissioners.

According to Chief Financial Officer Mary Bourdin, the port's average per vessel revenue for the period from July 1, 1996 through Feb. 28, 1997 was \$3,078, up from \$2,803 in fiscal year 1996.

In addition to improvements in the area of maritime revenue, the port has also seen a drop in its total bonded indebtedness. In 1995, for example, principal and interest payments to serve the port's bond debt totaled \$3.8 million. In the following two fiscal years — 1996 and 1997 — those payments dropped by some \$69,000 and \$50,000, respectively. However, for the upcoming 1998 fiscal year, the port's bond debt service payment should total \$4.49 million, marking a drop by nearly \$300,000 from 1997.

"Our main objective at the Mississippi State Port Authority at Gulfport is for this part to

be profitable and self-sufficient. This data shows that we are well on our way to accomplishing that goal," said Executive Port Director Anthony J. Taormina.

Proof of the port's fiscal success lies in its ability to fund major capital improvement projects, Bourdin said. In fiscal year 1997, the port paid for about \$4 million in such projects from cash reserves, rather than adding to its existing bonded indebtedness.

These projects included rehabilitation and expansion of the Dole terminal, paving of the west pier, and purchase and modifications to MSPA chiller facilities. Another project to be paid from cash reserves — construction of a new dockside chiller facility for Tubrana — is already underway.

"It is only through our commitment to fiscal success that this port has been able to generate the cash reserves necessary to pay outright for some of our major projects," Taormina said. "We are extremely proud of this accomplishment because our fiscal soundness is one of the many keys to attracting more business to the port in the future."

Whitney announces 1st quarter earnings

Whitney Holding Corporation announced first quarter 1997 earnings of \$11.15 million, or \$0.58 per share, before administrative expenses related to the merger of First National Bankshares of Houma. The merger, which was concluded Feb. 28, 1997, was accounted for as a pooling of interests.

All financial data related to First National Bank is consolidated into the Whitney financial statements. After recognition of these nonrecurring merger related after tax expenses of \$764,000, Whitney earned \$10.38 million, or \$0.54 per share of common stock.

For the first quarter of 1997, the company had a return on average assets of 1.15% and a return on average equity of 10.58%, both before merger related expenses. At quarter end, the Whitney continued to show superior capital strength with a regulatory Tier I risk-based capital ratio of 15.35%, a total risk-based capital ratio of 16.60%, a leverage ratio of 10.31%, and book equity to total assets of 10.78%.

In addition to the earnings performance and capital strength, there were further financial highlights during the quarter.

— The regular quarterly cash dividend of \$0.28 per share of common stock, which is a \$1.12 per share annual rate, represents a 27.3% increase over the dividend declared in the first quarter of last year.

— The banks continued to experience attractive loan growth with a 24.5% increase in loans as of March 31, 1997 compared to March 31, 1996. As in past quarters, this growth occurred in virtually all sectors of the portfolio.

— The Net Interest Margin for the quarter was a healthy 4.87%.

— At quarter-end, nonaccruing loans were \$9.8 million, or 0.44% of total loans, while total nonperforming assets were \$15.8 million or 0.40% of total assets, which represent decreases of 22.2% and 20.7%, respectively, from a year ago.

— The reserve for possible loan losses remains strong at \$40.7 million and 41.8% of non-accruing loans.

— In February, 1997, Whitney completed the merger with the \$235 million First National Bankshares of Houma, La., the parent company of First National Bank of Houma.

— The pending merger with the Gulfport-based Merchants Bancshares Inc., the parent company of Merchants Bank & Trust Co., which has \$208 million in assets and 13 banking locations along the Mississippi Gulf Coast, is expected to conclude later this month.

Whitney Holding Corporation, whose stock is traded on the NASDAQ exchange (WTNY), is the holding company for wholly owned banking subsidiaries in Louisiana, Alabama and Florida. With the pending merger of Merchants Bancshares of Mississippi, Whitney will operate over 100 banking locations in the four-state Gulf Coast region, including southern Louisiana, the coastal region of Mississippi; Mobile, Montgomery and the Alabama Gulf Coast region; and the Pensacola area of Florida. The Whitney, which has been in continuous operation since 1883, currently has assets of approximately \$4.0 billion.

Diamondhead G.M. to speak Thursday

James LeDuc, general manager of the Diamondhead Property Owners Association, will be the guest speaker at the general meeting of the Diamondhead Business & Professional Association (DB&PA) at 8 a.m. Thursday, April 24 at Park Ten Lanes Bowling Alley in Diamondhead.

LeDuc was born in Texas and was raised in Michigan. He received a BS degree in business at the University of Maryland. In 1968, during the Vietnam war, he was a helicopter pilot for the military.

Having lived in Biloxi for the

past 4 1/2 years, LeDuc was previously employed by the Broadwater Beach Resort. Prior to residing on the Mississippi Gulf Coast, he has been a business manager/consultant in the golf industry as far north as Calgary, Canada and as far south as the Bahamas.

All Diamondhead businesses and retired persons are encouraged to join the Diamondhead Business & Professional Association.

For information on applications for membership for 1997, contact Jon W. Ritten, membership chairman, at 255-9188.

Mississippi Chemical declares dividend

The board of directors of Mississippi Chemical Corporation (NYSE:GRO) has announced a regular quarterly cash dividend of \$0.10 per common share for the three-month period ending March 31, 1997. The dividend will be payable May 14, 1997, to holders of record on April 30, 1997.

Mississippi Chemical Corporation, a major manufacturer of

fertilizers, produces and markets all three primary crop nutrients. The company produces nitrogen fertilizer at the company's facilities in Yazoo City

and in Donaldsonville, La. The company also produces diammonium phosphate at Pascagoula and potash at Carlsbad, N.M.

Invention workshop scheduled at USM

The University of Southern Mississippi's Small Business Development Center and the Mississippi Small Business Development Center State Office are offering a workshop, "Invent for Profit," on Thursday, May 1, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at the USM Gulf Park Campus, Hardy Hall, Room 302, Long Beach.

The workshop (for beginning entrepreneurs/inventors) will be presented by Dr. Malwinski, director of the USM Small Business Development Center. People will be able to learn how to estimate the value of their inventions.

tively to different audiences. The luncheon speaker will be Mobile, Ala. patent attorney Gregory Friedlander.

Co-sponsors are Gulf Coast Business Technology Center, Greater Biloxi Economic Development Foundation, Mississippi Coast Chamber of Commerce and USM Gulf Coast Continuing Education.

Workshop fee is \$30 if paid by April 22 or \$35 at the door. The fee includes lunch and breaks. To reserve a seat, contact Malwinski at 361-936-1336 or write to USM Small Business Development Center, 361-936-1336.

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CASINO MAGIC/CMAG	1 1/2	-1/2
CHEVRON CORP/CHV	64 1/2	+2 1/2
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GENERAL ELEC/GE	105	+7 1/2
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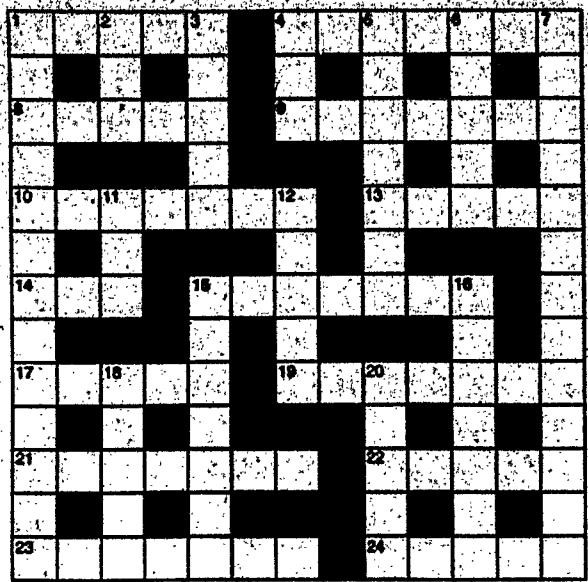
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CLUES ACROSS

1. Warning signal
4. Windstorm
8. Lauren, U.S. designer
9. Intercede
10. Tranquilizer
13. Follow
14. South American wood sorrel
15. Unseats
17. Fernando, Argentinean actor
19. "Finian's _____," Broadway musical
21. Fool
22. Burn with a hot liquid
23. Way of jerking
24. Not at all

CLUES DOWN

1. Date for deception
2. Suffer
3. Mohammedan spiritual leader
4. Woolen cap of Scottish origin
5. Fury
6. Good gosh!
7. Lehar operetta
11. Golden Girl, _____ Arthur
12. Brooder
15. African shirt
16. Day of rest
18. French wine
20. "Hedda Gabbler" playwright

SOLUTIONS ACROSS

1. Alarm
4. Tempest
8. Ralph
9. Mediate
10. Librium
13. Ensur
14. Oca
15. Deposes
17. Lamas
19. Rainbow
21. Deceive
22. Scald
23. Yanking
24. Nohow

SOLUTIONS DOWN

1. April Fool's Day
2. Ail
3. Mahdi
4. Tam
5. Madness
6. Egads
7. "The Merry Widow"
11. Bea
12. Moper
15. Dashed
16. Sabbath
18. Macon
20. Ibsen

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Batman The Ride opens at Six Flags

This spring, Six Flags Over Georgia guests will have the opportunity to experience the adventure of a lifetime — Batman The Ride — one of the only suspended, outside looping themed ride attractions in the Southeast.

Batman The Ride is the first-themed thrill ride of this magnitude at Six Flags Over Georgia. The ride was designed and created by the renowned leaders in ride technology, Bolliger & Mabillard of Switzerland. The ride is a meticulously engineered collection of twisted steel, dizzying heights and heart-pounding thrill elements rolled into one.

Set amid the backdrop of the new themed land — Gotham City, the ride will soar 105 feet above the ground at its tallest point and measure 77 feet at its tallest loop. Ski-lift style trains will whisk riders through more than 2,700 feet of inverted steel track at high speeds with nothing but air beneath their dangling feet. Riders will encounter 4 "Gs" of force as they are propelled through five head-over-heels experiences which consist of two outside vertical loops, two outside corkscrew turns and a zero gravity roll.

"Batman The Ride combines the best ride elements with the most elaborate theming we've ever produced to provide a total thrill experience," commented John Bement, president of Six Flags Over Georgia. "This new addition represents the continued commitment we have to providing quality family entertainment for our guests."

Representing the largest capital investment in the park's 30-year history, Batman The Ride is the centerpiece of Gotham City, Six Flags' ninth themed land. Guests will journey into a fantasy world of good and evil where fun, excitement and adventure are found at every turn.

Encompassing 8.6 acres of land, Gotham City will feature the one-of-a-kind suspended-track thriller, Batman The Ride, the famous Batmobile, the ever popular Batman Stunt Spectacular and many new retail locations.

Batman The Ride joins an impressive list of coaster favorites at Six Flags Over Georgia such as Ninja, Viper, Mind Bender, The Great American Scream Machine, Georgia Cyclone, and The Dahlenega Mine Train.

Six Flags Theme Parks Inc., a Time Warner Entertainment Company, is the second theme park company in the world and the nation's largest regional theme park company, hosting 26 million visitors a year.

An estimated 85 percent of all Americans live within driving distance of 12 Six Flags parks at eight locations: Six Flags Over Texas and Hurricane Harbor (Dallas/Ft. Worth); Six Flags Over Georgia (Atlanta); Six Flags St. Louis; Six Flags Houston which includes Six Flags Astro World and Six Flags Water World; Six Flags Great Escape and Six Flags Wild Safari Animal Park (Jackson, NJ); Six Flags California which includes Six Flags Magic Mountain and Hurricane Harbor (Los Angeles); Six Flags Great America (Chicago/Milwaukee); and Six Flags Fiesta Texas (San Antonio). Six Flags is also the Internet at www.sixflags.com.

Batman The Ride Fact Sheet

Description: Batman The Ride combines state-of-the-art thrill ride technology with blockbuster Batman movie magic. In ski-lift style trains suspended from the track above, riders fly at intense speeds countless times over the outside of hairpin turns, vertical loops, corkscrews and a one-of-a-kind zero gravity heart-line spin with the floor dropping out from beneath their feet.

Key Features:
— Speed: 50 mph
— Height: 105 feet
— 4 outside vertical loops
— 2 outside corkscrew turns
— 1 zero gravity roll
— 4 "Gs" of force
— 2,700 feet of track
— 105 feet tall
— 77 feet wide
— 105 feet deep

Vehicles: Two ski-lift style trains hang beneath the track, each carrying 32 passengers sitting four abreast. Trains ride on the outside, not the inside of each of the loops.

Safety systems: Computer controlled fail-safe air brakes/trains with padded over-the-shoulder and belt locking harnesses assure proper ride speed as well as rider comfort at all times.

Theming: Guests enter through the Gotham City portal and then wind their way through the dark streets and tunnels of the Inner City before ending up in the Batcave where they are whisked away on Batman's newest crime fighting device — Batman The Ride.

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— Height restriction: Must be at least 54" tall to ride.
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Mule Festival scheduled in Bay Springs

The 1997 Mississippi Mule Festival will be held May 2-4 in Bay Springs Livestock Exhibition Center located on Hwy. 15.

Friday night will feature food, music and dancing. Saturday's schedule includes a parade, mule show and mule pulling with seven weight divisions. On Sunday afternoon it all wraps up with a Western Mule Show, which will have riding events and con jump.

"Due to budget cutbacks, the Mississippi Ag Museum in Jackson could no longer host the mule festival. Mule people from around the state have stepped in and taken on the task of organizing this year's show," said Glen Green, one of the show's organizers from Loun.

"The mule festival this year has added four driving classes to its list of events. This is something the mule shows of the past didn't have. The show this year will offer something for everyone."

Green added, "We've had a lot of interest shown in the mule festival. I've received calls from people in Mississippi and also from many other states. We're expecting a large crowd of spectators and many mules."

There will be vendors, food and lots of fun for everyone.

"Bring your lawn chairs and be ready to have a good time," said Green.

Anyone wanting information, contact Glen Green at (601) 764-3598.

Call for entries announced for WAMA's exhibition

The Walter Anderson Museum of Art is issuing a call for entries for its inaugural juried exhibition, **CrossCurrents**. CrossCurrents will be on display Sept. 13-Oct. 19 and will feature the work of contemporary artists from the Gulf Coast and beyond.

Judges are Akua-McDaniel, PhD, and Bent Brundage. McDaniel is an associate professor of art history at Spelman College in Atlanta and is the current interim director of the college's Museum of Art. Brundage is a professor of art history at the University of Mississippi and is the current interim director of the college's Museum of Art.

The competition is open to all artists 18 or older. All media completed within the past two years, with the exception of video and film, are eligible.

Entry is by 35mm slide only. Artists may submit two slides with the non-refundable entry fee of \$15. Slides, entry forms, check and self-addressed stamped envelope must be received by the Walter Anderson Museum of Art, 610 Washington Ave., Ocean Springs, MS 39044, no later than June 16. Selections will be announced July 21.

Winning artists will receive a \$500 prize and a \$100 honorarium. Artists will also receive a \$100 honorarium.

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Gulfview Elementary science fair winners and 'Terrific Kids'



Science fair winners grades 4-6

First place, first row from left, Letisha Shiyou, Courtney Craft, Meghan Hedrick, Lacey Wahl; overall winner and Daniel Spiers. Second row from left, Joseph Scafidi; 1st place, second place: Wesley Oliver, Johathan Kihneman, Collin Lemoine and Hannah Fouasnon. Third row from left, second place: Stephanie Sones, Joey Billingsley, third place: Rebekah Skinner, Kate Craft, Elizabeth White, Donald Viverito and Adam Ladner. Honorable mention, fourth row from left, Matthew Daigre, Glenn Luxich, Brandy LeBlanc, Djavan Hairabedian and April Russell. Honorable mention, fifth row from left, Shawn Hess, Travis Johnson, Mark Bates, Brenton Bishop and Jessica Seay, Marine Life Excellence in Science Award.



Science fair winners grades 1-3

First place, first row from left, Alyssa Pagano, Chelsea Wahl, Jerica Bounds; overall winner, Kenneth Lee and Len Jenkins. Second place, second row from left, Ryan Smith, Teresa Smith, Christopher Morre, Whitney Sellier and Heather Necaise. Third place, third row from left, Justin Hutchison and Heather Jenkins. Fourth row from left, Suzanne Hughes; honorable mention, Kristen Brewer; honorable mention, Hillary Pagano; honorable mention, Sarah Riviere; 2nd place, and Dustin Sackett, 1st place and G.E. Award.



Region 6 science fair winners

First row from left, Wesley Oliver, 1st place; Heather Necaise, 3rd place; Lacey Wahl, 4th place. Second row from left, Jerica Bounds, 5th place; Daniel Spiers, 5th place; Whitney Sellier, 5th place. Third row from left, Heather Jenkins, honorable mention; Sarah Riviere, honorable mention; Dustin Sackett, honorable mention; Alyssa Pagano, honorable mention. Fourth row from left, Teresa Smith, honorable mention; Kate Craft, honorable mention; Courtney Craft, honorable mention; Christopher Moore, honorable mention.



January 'Terrific Kids'

First row from left, Courtney Hudson, Jennifer Rivera, Lacey Shea, Matthew Bourgeois and Summer McLain. Second row from left, Cody Moran, Brittany Tamborella, Suany Ramirez, Kyle Meranto and Brooks Meyers. Third row from left, Brandon Jordan, Tiffany Marquar, Derek Humfress, Heather Moran and Gavin Meranto. Fourth row from left, Mykeal Maes, Emma Craft, Justin Jarrach, Thomas Everett and Stacie Asher. Fifth row from left, Shelby LaFontaine, Leslie Gaude, Deanna Louque, and Dustin Sackett.



January 'Terrific Kids'

First row from left, Sam Carbonaro, Hillary Pagano, Len Jenkins, Heather Jenkins and Michael Catania. Second row from left, Brooke Raphael, Kendra Bock, Kate Craft, Sean Overall and Chassity McKinnon. Third row from left, Miranda Rutherford, Donald Arceneaux, Jaclyn Behre, Beau Bobbit and Julie Turner. Fourth row from left, Sherry Wannage, Wesley Oliver, Lindsay Richardson and Siria Ramirez. Fifth row from left, Samantha McDonald, Meghan Hedrick, Elizabeth Christen, Dexter Vincent, Travis Johnson and Corey Green.



February 'Terrific Kids'

First row from left, Kayla Fortenberry, Destré Cuevas, Karen Yuan and Joelle Wesner. Second row from left, LaSenda Smith, Zach Edmonson, Maree Cain, Thomas Kapp and Jacob Johnston. Third row from left, Kayla Lott, Smanatha Smith, Caleb Finch, Steven Keatley and Brittany Ladner. Fourth row from left, Simone Chiasson, Katherine Jelcic, Sarah Riviere, Heather Clingan and Sasha Machen. Fifth row from left, Ryan Smith, Felicia Sullivan, Carrie Arceneaux, Aaron Sones, Christina Mancuso and Theresa Warhay.



February 'Terrific Kids'

First row from left, Victor Reale, Vincent LeBlanc, Jessica Stimens and Christopher Morre. Second row from left, April Carter, Bobby W. and Brittany B. and Melissa Crowe and Leah Trice. Third row from left, Camille Fortenberry, Jacob Finch, Nicholas Howard, Aaron Lewis and Katie Burkhart. Fourth row from left, Ryan Smith, Felicia Sullivan, Heather Clingan and Sasha Machen. Fifth row from left, Ryan Smith, Felicia Sullivan, Carrie Arceneaux, Aaron Sones, Christina Mancuso and Theresa Warhay.



March 'Terrific Kids'

First row from left, Eric Masters, Smanatha Johnston, Kassandra Bankston, Ashley Bryan and Nick Hall. Second row from left, Suany Ramirez, Terrell Alexander, Sonni Riley, Jeremy Holman and Megan Mauffray. Third row from left, Ryan Moran, Heather Moran, Brittany Ramirez and David. Fourth row from left, David, Ryan Moran, Heather Moran, Brittany Ramirez and David. Fifth row from left, David, Ryan Moran, Heather Moran, Brittany Ramirez and David.



March 'Terrific Kids'

First row from left, Raven Redler, Trent Tomasich, Melissa Crowe, Jerome Stephens and Kristina Broussard. Second row from left, Ashton Delle, Ricky Calhoun, Alana Benaim, Elizabeth White and Hugo Ramirez. Third row from left, Felicia Bryant, Kenneth Swift, Gerald Adams and Stephanie Sones. Fourth row from left, Justin Sylvest, Wesley Oliver, Josh Everette and Collin Lemoine. Fifth row from left, Amy Shiyou, Amanda Bonano, Lisa Peterson and Jonathan Kihneman.

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Thursday — Pancakes with Syrup, Chilled Peaches.
Friday — Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Diced Pears.

LUNCH

Monday — Pizza, French Fries, Pineapple Chunks, Bread Sticks.
Or Steak Nuggets, Dirty Rice, Seasoned Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Pineapple Chunks.
Tuesday — Burrito, Tossed Salad, Whole Kernel Corn, Mixed Fruit.
Or Chicken Pattie on Bun, Tater Tots, Mixed Fruit.
Or Red Beans, Steamed Rice, Sausage, Tossed Salad, Mixed Fruit, Cornbread.
Wednesday — Tuna on Bed of Lettuce, Pickle Spears, Spicy Potato Logs, Juice Bars, Crackers.
Or Cheeseburger on Bun, Spicy Potato Logs, Pickle Spears, Juice Bars.
Or Meat Sauce with Spaghetti, Seasoned Green Beans, Juice Bars, Hot Rolls.
Thursday — Ham and Cheese Pot Pie, Stack of Trimmings, Baked Beans, Applesauce.
Or Pizza, Tossed Salad, Baked Beans, Applesauce, Bread Sticks.
Or Hamburger Steak, Rice and Gravy, Tossed Salad, Applesauce, Hot Rolls.
Friday — Baked Chicken Nuggets, Dirty Rice, Broccoli, Diced Pears, Hot Rolls.
Or BBQ Beef on Bun, Tater Tots, Diced Pears.
Or Deli Turkey on Bun, Pickle Spears, Tater Tots, Diced Pears.

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CES students win spelling bee

Coast Episcopal students Molly Fitzpatrick, left, and Laurence Mixson attended the Mississippi Private School Association district spelling bee, where they placed first in the sixth grade and third in the eighth grade divisions, respectively. They have both qualified to participate in the MPSA state spelling bee.

Pass students teach school districts about Net Day

Pass Christian High School's Net Day team taught students and teachers from other districts about how to host their own Net Day at the Mississippi Net Day 2000 Partnering Conference March 25 at the Jefferson Davis Campus of MGCCC. About 60 students and teachers from schools within the 5th Congressional District attended. Those from the Pass Christian School District were Technology Specialist Teresa Burton, Tech Prep teacher Rodney Smith, Pass High librarian Betty Cornelison and students Linda Le, Zack Lawrence, Tony Brashfield and Ryan Williams. The students' presentation included a film they made during their own Net Day November 1996. The students learned how to install, program and service equipment that enabled Pass

High to be hooked up to the Internet. Members of the community were invited to participate. At the recent conference, the students told representatives from other districts that organizing and hosting Net Day was relatively easy and very rewarding. "I must say the students did a wonderful job," said Zucchini Dean of the State Department of Education's Technology Education Department. "Their presentation was excellent, and they made the people from other districts more comfortable and confident with the idea of going back and implementing this at their schools."

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William Carey College will hold its annual Honors Day program April 28 at 10:30 a.m. in Dumas L. Smith auditorium on the Hattiesburg campus. The event is one of a series of events scheduled during April, the month designated as Heritage Month for the Baptist college.

The Honors Day program will recognize scholarship donors and their families and recipients of scholarships funded by donors.

Omicron Delta Kappa will announce the Excellence in Teaching Award winner. Departmental awards, nominees for Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges, and scholar athletes will also be recognized. Students who had committed themselves to a church related vocation and receive financial support from the Mississippi Baptist Convention will be recognized.

The Convocation will be followed by a campuswide picnic.

PRCC
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Pearl River Community College's Iota Mu Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society recently inducted 59 new members into the organization, according to PRCC PTK advisor Norma Hammill.

Area inductees include:
Bay St. Louis: Karen Valerie Parker, Chrissy Ann Richard, Stacy Marie Schiro, Charlene Marie Tillman.

Kilm: Tina Renee McElroy.
Pass Christian: Tiffany Ann Necaie.

Waveland: Ellen Marie Felder.

Mandy Franke, Meg Newman, Jim Selig

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11th Grade: Mary Alice Boyd,
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Christina Mueller, Vanna Pham,
Michael Seelson, Donald Shiel,
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Shawn Fayard, Tory Givens, Brad
Griffith, Tracy Hall, Jeffrey Hin-
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son, Alexis Koskan, Randi Labbe,
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Bethany Breland, Amanda Carter,
Rachelle Combs, Tara Elmore,
Kyle Fayard, Natalie Fields, Amy
Frierson, Kurt Graves, Miguel
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Kientz, Dana Kimmel, Amanda
Marino, Lisa Page, Jennifer Patter-son, Lainey Perrot, Brent Pitre,
Brandon Shields, Lisa Spansel,
Jenny Spiller, Erick Villalta, Terry
Whitlock, Timothy Wright.

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Dylan Murphy, Gabriel Russell,
Rachel Saucier, Jennifer Scaffidi,
Kay Schuengel, Blake Stuart,
Misty Summers, Rachel Taylor, Ri-
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Carrie Wilcox, Darien Williams,
Iris Willis, Erin Yarbrough, Dee
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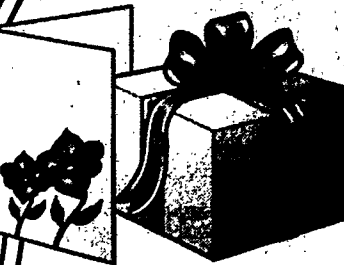
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Celia Belhomme, James Benton,
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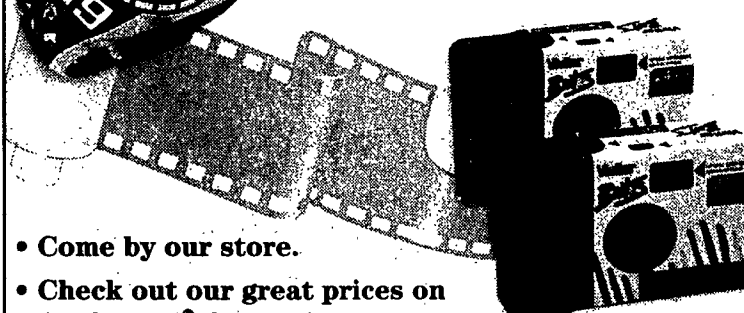
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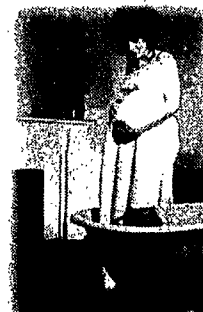
Pass Christian High School's Student Council won the highest possible honor at the 27th annual Mississippi Schools Association of Student Councils Convention in Jackson in March: the State Presidency. Student councils from 58 Mississippi schools voted Pass High the winner at the end of the two-day event. In all, about 1,200 students and advisors were in attendance. The delegation included Student Council President Chrystal Haynes, senior; Vice President Chasty Dedeaux, junior; Secretary Shannon Breland, sophomore; and members Nikki Dedeaux, sophomore; Michelle Cassagne, junior; Vanessa Culpepper, junior; Nicole Antunica, junior; Stacy Price, senior; Nicole Ladner, junior; Eran Landry, sophomore; Brian May, senior; Latresa Lizana, sophomore; and Binah Hall, freshman. For winning the State Presidency, the Student Council will be responsible for a yet-to-be-announced statewide project during the 1997-98 school year. Michelle Cassagne will represent Student Council once the presidency term starts the beginning of next school year. In addition to the Student Council winning the presidency, Chasty Dedeaux won honorable mention in the Best Student Council Member of the Year category. Next year's convention will be hosted by Long Beach schools.

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Cindy Collier, second grade teacher at Waveland Elementary, was awarded an Earthwatch Education Award for Team VIII of Diane C. Claridge's project, "Bahamas Whales and Dolphins." The award was made possible by a grant from the Phil Hardin Foundation. This summer Collier will participate as an Earthwatch volunteer on an expedition that researches whales and dolphins in the Bahamas.

29 TUNE UP

TOP 10 SEVEN MACHINE

AIRMAN SEE

Air Force Airman Christina M. See was graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

She is the daughter of Steven H. and April J. See of Pass Christian and a 1996 graduate of Pass Christian High School.

AIRMAN NIOUS

Navy Airman Markivus N. Nious, son of Estelle W. Alstar of Bay St. Louis, recently reported for duty at Naval Air Station, Lemoore, Calif.

The 1996 graduate of Bay High School joined the Navy in July 1996.

SEAMAN KAIZER

Navy Seaman Bobby A. Kaizer, a 1996 graduate of Hancock High School, recently completed basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill., and received the United Service Organization Award.

The award is presents to the recruit who best exemplified the spirit and intent of the term "shipmate."

Kaizer joined the Navy in December 1996.

SEAMAN APRIL

Navy Seaman Apprentice Vernon J. April, a 1996 graduate of Bay High School, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

Project Discovery

Pre-registration is under way for Project Marine Discovery (PMD) Sea Camp — seven five-day summer sessions that teach school-age children about the sea and the animals that live there.

Pre-registration is also being held for Early Childhood Project Marine Discovery Sea Camp, geared to pre-school children ages 4 and 5.

The J. L. Scott Marine Education Center and Aquarium (MECA) at the foot of the Biloxi-Ocean Springs bridge (on the Biloxi side) hosts the two programs sponsored by the University of Southern Mississippi's Institute of Marine Sciences — Gulf Coast Research Laboratory and the Mississippi-Alabama Sea Grant Consortium.

MPD-Sea Camp offers hands-on activities, games and field trips for participants ages 6 and 14.

Field trips include visiting mainland beaches and shorelines; touring the Seafood Industry Museum, experiencing history about the schooner the "Glenn L. Sweatt" and trawling for shrimp.

Participants also visit the Walter Anderson Museum of Art in Ocean Springs. Campers 8 to 14 go to Ship Island for beach combing, cast-netting and seining.

The five-day sessions run from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Cost is \$125 for campers ages 8-14 and \$110 for campers 6 and 7. Participants must provide their own lunches, snacks and drinks.

Sessions will be June 9-13; June 16-20; June 23-27; July 7-11; July 14-18; July 21-25 and July 28-Aug. 1. The last session in June and the first two sessions in July will be available for students ages 13-14.

Early Childhood Project Marine Discovery, for 4- and 5-year-old campers, will introduce the coastal environment and its ecology through Hands-on learning experiences, playtime, storytelling, plays, puppets, art, music and games.

The early childhood program will offer two sessions daily — 8-11 a.m. and 1-4 p.m. on the same weekly schedule as Project Marine Discovery Sea Camp. Cost is \$60 per child for the five half-day sessions. The fee includes all supplies, a snack and a t-shirt.

To pre-register for the programs, contact the MECA at 374-5550 or use e-mail, greenlea@seahorse.ims.usm.edu. A pre-registration non-refundable fee is required for all participants. This deposit will be deducted from the total cost of PMD Sea Camp when the remaining fee is paid for each participant.

For additional information, call the MECA at 374-5550.



Ingalls christens destroyer

DDG 74, the 11th DDG 51 Class Aegis guided missile destroyer to be built by Ingalls Shipbuilding Division of Litton Industries in Pascagoula, was launched during the early morning hours of Jan. 11. The new ship was christened "McFaul" at Ingalls April 12. Serving as ship's sponsor was Marcia Coats, wife of U.S. Senator Dan Coats of Indiana.

Stennis researcher gets NSF funding for study

The National Science Foundation has awarded \$175,000 to a University of Southern Mississippi Institute of Marine Sciences researcher to fund study of some of the factors affecting water quality.

Dr. Alan M. Shiller, associate professor of marine sciences at USM's HMS Stennis, received the funding from NSF's Hydrologic Sciences Program, which only funds about 8 percent of the grant requests it receives; and from the NSF Chemical Oceanography Program.

Shiller's project involves looking at the composition of

"macromolecules and small particles suspended in river water" in order to better understand "some of the factors affecting the water quality of our rivers and other drinking water sources."

Shiller has previously studied the transport of trace metals and lead in the Mississippi River. His funded research should add "a new dimension to my studies of metals in the Mississippi River and, hopefully, get closer to understanding the processes that control their concentrations," Shiller said.

USM symposium results in new book

Proceed from a new book of essays edited by a University of Southern Mississippi history professor will benefit the Oseola McCarty Scholarship Fund at the university.

The book, *Remaking Dixie: The Impact of World War II on the American South*, published by University Press of Mississippi, was edited by Dr. Neil R. McMillen, professor of history at USM.

Early versions of the nine essays contained in the book were presented at the second Charles W. Moorman Symposium held at USM in October 1995 on the

50th anniversary of the WW II Allied victory in Europe and Asia.

McCarty, 89, saved her earnings from washing and ironing other people's clothes for more than 75 years and, also in 1995, signed an irrevocable trust agreement to give \$150,000.

The book is available in hardback (\$47.95) and paperback (\$18). The paperback version is available at the Hub Bookstore on the USM campus.

The bookstore can order hardback editions or books also can be ordered from University Press of Mississippi in Jackson.

Study for overseas adventure

This summer a Long Beach student and teacher will study Mediterranean waters aboard one of the Navy's newest oceanographic survey ships as part of Project Marco Polo.

Since 1990 the annual educational program, a partnership of the National Geographic Society and the U.S. Navy, has sent American students to sea with science teachers and Navy oceanographers to survey the world's oceans and seas and to experience the countries and cultures that these waters border.

Thomas (Joey) Hamilton, an eighth grade student at Long Beach Middle School, was selected to accompany the expedition during the finals of the Mississippi Science and Engineering Fair in Oxford.

He was chosen to join the expedition on the basis of his science fair project which deals with Environmental Cues in the early warning of toxic red tides in the Gulf of Mexico.

Hamilton will be accompanied by his project advisor, Diane Boughman. They will be among 23 students and teachers embarking aboard the USNS Pathfinder this summer. Other expedition members, who come for Connecticut, Oklahoma, and Texas were selected through the National Geographic Society's Geography Teachers Alliance.

The expedition will embark from Lisbon, Portugal on or about July 22 and finish in Athens, Greece on or about Aug. 9. During the ship's transit through the Mediterranean Sea, they are scheduled to make port stops in Fez/Tangier, Morocco, and Skiros, Greece.

Project Marco Polo helps students and teachers learn about the oceans, world cultures, geography and global environment through multi-disciplinary study, including physical oceanography, biology, geology, bathymetry, navigation/meteorology and geography/culture/history on board naval oceanographic ships.

This is the third year that the Navy has sponsored Mississippians on the expedition through the state science fair.

The ship was

built in Moss Point by Halter Marine Inc. The ship is operated by the Military Sealift Command. The oceanographic detachment on board the ship is composed of oceanographers from the Naval Oceanographic Office at Stennis Space Center.

The office is the largest component of the Naval Meteorology and Oceanography Command. The command, with headquarters at Stennis Space Center, is comprised of nearly 3,000 personnel at some 60 activities worldwide.

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KILN

TOPS MS 231 Kiln met Monday, April 14 at the District 4 Community Center. The chapter welcomed two visitors. Janet was the week's best loser.

TOPS MS 231 meets every Monday at the District 4 Community Center, Hwy. 43, Kiln. Weigh-ins are 4:45-5:15 p.m. with the meeting following. The chapter encourages anyone desiring to lose and maintain weight to visit and join their TOPS chapter. For information, call Helen at 255-7658.

Peacemakers Quilting Guild

Peacemakers Quilting Guild will meet Thursday, April 24, 6-8 p.m. at the Community Center, Kiln-Waveland Cutoff Road. The program will be "Rotary Cutting." Visitors are welcome. For information, call Vera Bowers at 467-9819.

Gulf Coast Opera Salon

The Gulf Coast Opera Salon will meet at the home of Natalie Robohm, Ocean Springs at 10 a.m. April 24. Estelle Hawkins Maxwell will present a program entitled "An Intimate Glimpse Into An Operatic Life."

Election of officers will also be held.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly

WAVELAND

TOPS MS 233 Waveland met Tuesday, April 15 at the Waveland Public Library. Pat was the week's best loser with 6½. Ruth B. was the week's best KOPS loser.

Pat received a charm for losing 30 pounds.

Bylaws were voted on. There were 17 members present.

TOPS MS 233 meets every Tuesday. Weigh-ins are from 5-5:45 p.m. with the meeting immediately following weigh-in.

Anyone interested in losing weight the sensible way and maintaining that weight loss is welcome to visit the TOPS chapter. Interested persons are invited to call Judy at 255-5413.

Hancock County Republican Women

The next meeting of the Hancock County Republican Women's Club will be May 1 at 11 a.m. at the Hancock County Library on Hwy. 90 in Bay St. Louis.

Following a brief business meeting, movies of the previous meeting will be shown. The speaker at that meeting was Steve Guyter, special assistant to Congressman Mike Parker of Mississippi's Fourth District. He spoke on details of the club's creating a Hancock County chapter of TARS — "Teenage Republicans."

Mark your calendar for an upcoming luncheon to honor Evelyn McPhail, the recent co-chairman of the Republican National Committee. The luncheon will be June 3 at the Diamondhead Yacht Club, and McPhail will be the guest speaker. All members of the

Republican Women's Clubs in both Harrison and Jackson counties are urged to attend as well as their invited guests. It will begin at 11:30 a.m. with a reception and hospitality hour with an open cash bar. The luncheon will be at 12:30 p.m. and will be followed by the program featuring McPhail.

Cost of the luncheon is \$11. Reservations should be made not later than May 24 by calling 467-4940, 255-2622 or 467-3227. Checks are to be sent to Hancock County Republican Women's Club, P.O. Box 6125, Diamondhead, MS 39529-6000. Receipt of the check will be considered confirmation of your reservation.

"Please plan to join us for what promises to be an enjoyable event," said Ginger Switzer, publicity.

Bay-Waveland Jaycees

On April 11, the Bay-Waveland Jaycees had a charter banquet at St. Amants in Bay St. Louis. State President Linda Cagnolotti presented the chapter with the charter certificate and a speech. Several member of the Gulfport Jaycees were in attendance.

Charles Carter, past state president from 1965, was guest speaker. Past Jaycee and Jaycette Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bouding were also attending the banquet. A new present was appointed, Danny Brogle. His goal is to promote fun as well as self, family and community development.

On April 15, a few members visited the Gulfport Jaycees. For a visitation, the chapter receives 25 points towards awards if at least three members participate in the visitation. Members were Danny and Pennie Brogle, Leslie Ladner and Thomas Cool.

On April 26 and May 3 there will be a car wash at Merchants Bank to help raise funds towards the remodeling of the Jaycee House. Cost will be \$5 for cars and trucks, \$8 for minivans and \$10 for large vans. The last car wash was a success.

The New Jaycee chapter will soon begin remodeling of the Jaycee Home on St. John Street in Bay St. Louis. Those interested in assisting or becoming a Jaycee, contact Danny Brogle at 601-467-3192.

Meetings will be the first and third Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. in the back room of the Fire Dog Saloon on Beach Blvd. Anyone between 21 and 39 is welcome to be a member. For membership information, call Billy Ross at 601-255-6918.

Hancock Women's Club

Members of Hancock Women's Club met at Annie's Restaurant March 13 for the monthly meeting and installation of officers for the 1997-98 term. Marjorie Thomson was mistress of ceremonies.

Officers installed were Billie Jean Niver, president; Theda Fischer, vice president; Mary Gilmore, secretary; and Amelia Killeen, treasurer. The committee chairpersons were introduced as Jean Longo, telephone; Rosemary Kirchem, hospitality; Theresa Bourgeois, sunshine; and Joanne Lagasse, community relations.

On April 10, members met for the luncheon meeting at Pass Christian Yacht Club. Billie Jean Niver presided over the business meeting with approved \$400 be donated to St. Vincent de Paul Society, designating \$200 each for Unit I and Unit II.

A letter of thanks was received from Hope Haven for the most recent contribution.

Raffle ticket for the complimentary lunch was won by Theda



National Quilt Day

Piecemakers Quilting Guild members celebrated National Quilt Day, March 15, with a quilt exhibit at the Hospitality Center on Main Street in Bay St. Louis. Quilt collectors in the area were invited to show their quilts, and quilt members also shared their quilts. The exhibit was sponsored by Old Books and Curiosities. Over 250 visitors enjoyed the quilt show. Piecemaker Quilting Guild members shown are Dortha Smith, Nancy Kellerman, Zoe Bowers and Barbara Zitzmann.

Fischer.

Joanne Lagasse informed members that she is working towards the possibility for members to attend a Casino matinee performance during the month of May.

Birthday corsages were presented by Theresa Bourgeois to Rosary Eble, Irene Johnston, Jackie Bufkin and Sheryl Colson. Get well wishes were sent to Catherine McGuinness, and card of condolence was sent to Marjorie Thomson for loss of a family member.

The annual Spring Raffle was held, and Billie Jean Niver was recipient of the \$150 cash prize. Members who assisted in making the raffle such a success were Irene Johnston, Alice Winchester, Phil Lagasse and Theresa Bourgeois.

Rosemary Kirchem announced that Game Day will take place at the Train Depot April 23 at 11 a.m. Arrangements were made for lunch and games.

The business meeting was adjourned and prayer of thanks before luncheon was offered by Mary Gilmore.

AARP Chapter 1114

The monthly meeting of the Hancock County AARP Chapter 1114 will be Monday, April 21 at 10 a.m. at Post 77 American Legion Hall on Coleman Avenue in Waveland.

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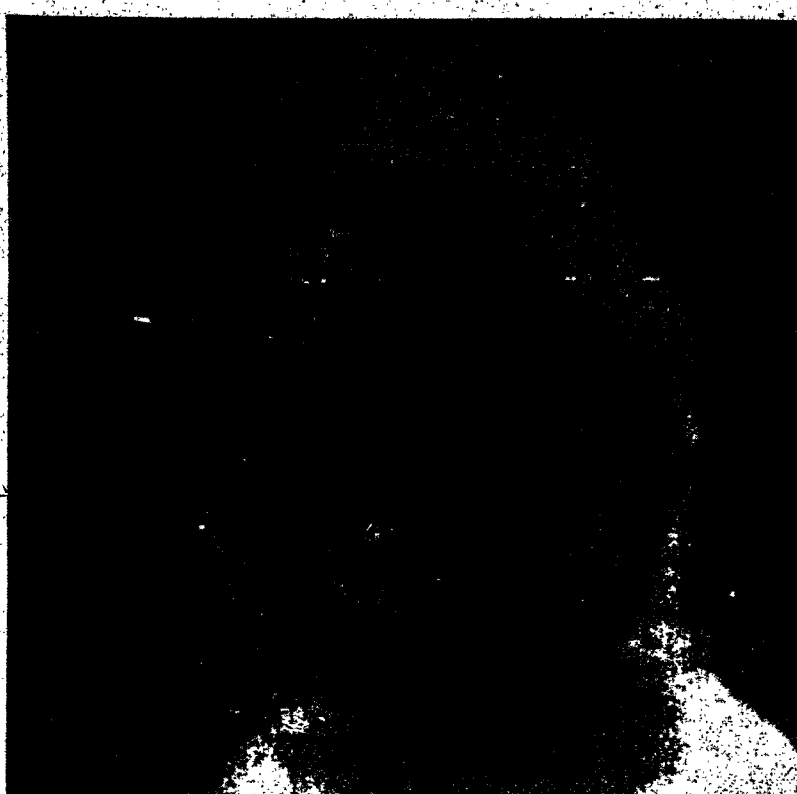
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Heather Darden

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The bride-elect attended Caldwell Parish High School, Columbia, La., and Northeast Louisiana University in Monroe. She is employed at Memorial Hospital at Gulfport.

The prospective groom is a graduate of Pascagoula High School and attended Northeast Louisiana University in Monroe. He is employed with Wolf Industries Inc.

The marriage will take place June 28, 1997 at 7 p.m. at Jesus The Good Shepherd Catholic Church in Monroe, La.

BIRTHS

GEB FREDRICK FRICKE

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Frederick Fricke Jr. of Bay St. Louis announce the birth of their second child, Geb Fredrick, April 13, 1997, at 12:25 a.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

He weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces.

Mrs. Fricke is the former JoEll Everett.

Maternal grandparents are Bea Everett of Bay St. Louis and the late Joseph Everett Sr.

Paternal grandparents are Gary Fricke Sr. of Bay St. Louis and Margie and Dale Amason of Poplarville.

Great-grandparents include Carmel Jeanfreau and Jay Lenfant.

Geb is welcomed by sisters Gabrielle and Sarah.

ARIANNA LYNN PULLEN

Mr. and Mrs. Darren Pullen of Nacaise Crossing announce the birth of their second child, Arianna Lynn, April 11, 1997, at 2:42 p.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

She weighed 8 pounds, 14 ounces.

Mrs. Pullen is the former Natasha Shaw.

Maternal grandparents are Keith and Linda Shaw of Nacaise Crossing.

Paternal grandparents are Roger and Linda Pullen of Poplarville.

Arianna is welcomed by her sister Alyssa.

KAYLIN PAIGE HILL

Mr. and Mrs. Rick Hill of Bay St. Louis announce the birth of a daughter, Kaylin Paige, April 19, 1997, at 2:25 p.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

She weighed 9 pounds, 2 ounces.

Mrs. Hill is the former Wendy Carver.

Kaylin is welcomed by brothers Andrew and Joshua.

BRYAN PATRICK RAYMOND JR.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Patrick Raymond of Bay St. Louis announce the birth of their first child, Bryan Patrick Jr., April 7, 1997, at 11:16 a.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

He weighed 6 pounds, 5 ounces.

Mrs. Raymond is the former Tammy Ellis.

Maternal grandparents are Raymond and Patsy Ellis of Bay St. Louis.

Paternal grandparents are Mrs. Joyce C. Raymond of Bay St. Louis and the late Charles F. Raymond Jr.

Great-grandmother is Sylvia E. Patton of Bay St. Louis.

ETHAN DANIEL FOY

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel S. Foy III of Diamondhead announce the birth of their first child, Ethan Daniel, April 2, 1997, at 8:16 a.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

He weighed 8 pounds, 9 1/2 ounces.

Mrs. Foy is the former Molly Yeske.

Grandparents include Penny L. Foy and Molly Yeske and Daniel S. Foy Jr. and Tom Howder.

Ethan is welcomed by sisters Katie and Christina Garceau.

SHYLA ANN ANDERSON

Terria Anderson of Bay St. Louis announces the birth of a daughter, Shyla Ann, April 7, 1997, at 10:39 a.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

She weighed 7 pounds, 6 ounces.

Grandparents are Billy and Debbie Anderson of Bay St. Louis.

The Word for the Week

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The spirit of change

"I won't go to church; it's full of hypocrites." This may be, but it's an excuse. Despite how some so-called Christians act, we need to get to know Christ ourselves. We need to worry less about the other fellow and gal. We need to confess our own sins and follow Jesus Christ. We need to set the pace and set good examples.

Then too, we can't change people's hearts. That's the work of God's Holy Spirit. The apostle Paul gives a definite command to Christians, "Be filled with the Spirit" (Ephesians 5:18). He explains how being filled with the Spirit affects our lives.

Being filled with the Spirit puts a song in our hearts and on our lips. Being filled with the Spirit causes husbands to love their wives like Christ loved the church. Being filled with the Spirit causes wives to love their husbands. Being filled with the Spirit makes children love and obey their parents. Being filled with the Spirit makes you put in an honest day's labor at work and rejoice at the good of your employer. Being filled with the Spirit profoundly affects your life at its core.

If we really see the need for change within our lives and within the lives of others, we will pray for the Holy Spirit to come and fill us and change us.

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When your children ask you, "What does this ritual mean?", you will answer, "It is the sacrifice of Passover to honor the Lord, because he passed over the houses of the Israelites in Egypt. He killed the Egyptians, but spared us."

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Reef fish public hearing slated

The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council will hold public hearings in April on Draft Amendment 15 to the Reef Fish Fishery Management Plan.

The principal focus of the amendment is to create a license limitation system for the commercial and red snapper fishery.

The proposed rule would limit participation in the fishery to currently permitted vessels that landed at least 2,500 pounds in two of the three years 1990-1992 and would create three classes of licenses with trip limits tied to historic landing levels for the same time period.

Another proposed rule would result in the red snapper commercial fishing season being open for the first 15 days of each month until the commercial quota is taken and the fishery is closed.

A public hearing on Amend-

ment 15 will be held Tuesday, April 22 at the J. L. Scott Marine Education Center, 115 East Beach Boulevard, Biloxi beginning at 7 p.m. Copies of Amendment 15 are available from this office or by calling 813-228-2815.

After completing testimony on Amendment 15, the public will be asked to comment on a scoping document for greater amberjack, lesser amberjack, Almaco jack, and banded rudderfish.

Persons will be asked to provide their observations on the status of these stocks, localized abundance, changes in size or abundance over the past 10 years, whether additional regulation is needed, whether current rules should be modified, and the dependence on fishermen on these stocks.

Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

Due to the Municipal Democratic and Republican Primary Election scheduled for Tuesday, May 6, 1997, the Bay St. Louis City Council will hold its first regular meeting for the month of May on Thursday, May 8, 1997, at 6:00 p.m. No Council workshop will be held prior to this meeting. The Council meeting will be held at the City Hall Annex, 111 Court Street. All interested parties are invited to attend.

ANDREA L. LEE
CLERK OF COUNCIL
4-13; 4-20; 4-27-97

DIAMONDHEAD FIRE & SOLID WASTE DISTRICT RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR COLLECTION OF USER FEES

Whereas, the Diamondhead Fire and Solid Waste District has heretofore established a uniform system of rates and fees for various classifications of users of its solid waste collection and fire protection services and facilities; and

Whereas, some users have failed to pay the fees and charges so prescribed and adopted by the District; and Whereas, it is necessary to protect the community that all users pay their share of said fees and charges in order that the solid waste collection and fire protection services and facilities of the District remain in effect and said system and facilities be and remain operable;

Now therefore be it resolved by the Diamondhead Fire and Solid Waste District as follows:

1. That upon any user of the District's fire and solid waste facilities or system (being any person, firm or corporation whose life or property is thereby served) failing to pay the charges and fees levied by the District for a period of three (3) months, the District will refer to the attorneys any unpaid account for collection of fees and penalties, who will be instructed to demand letter to the customer whose account is delinquent. There will be added to any delinquent charge a penalty of \$30.00 per month in addition to the original charge, which penalty shall apply to any charges that are delinquent for more than thirty (30) days.
2. That upon the continued failure of such user to pay said charges after the demand letter is sent, the attorney for the District will be instructed to file suit to collect said charges and all attorney's fees, costs of court and other costs of collection allowed by law.
3. This resolution takes effect and shall be in force immediately.

Commissioner Locascio moved the adoption of the resolution which was seconded by Dabier. Upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Conrad Bourgeois voted Aye
Clifford Couture voted Aye
Edward Dabier voted Aye
Frank Locascio voted Aye
Paul Smeary voted Aye
Whereupon, the Chairman declared the resolution to be duly adopted.

CLIFFORD COUTURE
SECRETARY
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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Bay St. Louis City Council will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, April 22, 1997, in order to determine if the following described property should be declared a menace to the public's health, safety and welfare:

Elton Williams - property located 439 Webster Street, described as Lots 278A, 278B and 278J, First Ward, Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi. The public hearing will be held in the City Hall Annex, 111 Court Street, at 7:00 p.m. All affected property owners and other interested parties are invited to attend.

ANDREA L. LEE
CLERK OF COUNCIL
3-30; 4-6; 4-13; 4-20-97

IN THE CHANCERY COURT

HANCOCK COUNTY, BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI 39520

JUDY CALLENDER PRITCHARD, Plaintiff(s) v. HEIRS AT LAW OF DAVID R. PRITCHARD, DECEASED

SUMMONS (Service by Publication: Residence Unknown) CASE NO. 97-0240

TO: Heirs at law of David R. Pritchard, Deceased; but whose present residence and address is unknown. You have been made Defendant in this lawsuit filed in this Court by Judy Calender Pritchard, Plaintiff, whose address is 1507 Calender Road, Bogalusa, LA 70427.

The Complaint filed against you has initiated a civil action alleging that Judy Calender Pritchard, Bonnie Marie Pritchard, David K. Pritchard, and Carol Adrien Pritchard Murray are sole heirs at law of said decedent and are entitled to the estate of said decedent.

You are required to mail or hand deliver a copy of a written Answer either admitting or denying each allegation in the Complaint to the undersigned at the address in the Complaint to Nicholas M. Hays, Plaintiff's Attorney, whose mailing and street address is 924 Highway 90, Waveland, MS 39576.

YOUR ANSWER MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF APRIL 1997, WHICH IS 30 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR ANSWER IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGEMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.

Said cause is set down for Hearing at 9:30 A.M. on May 23, 1997, at Hancock County Courthouse Annex, Chancery Courtroom, 308 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520.

You must also file the original of your Answer with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward.

ANDREA L. KELLAR
CLERK OF COURT
ANGIE LADNER
DEPUTY CLERK
4-13; 4-20; 4-27-97

IN THE CHANCERY COURT

HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ALVIN W. YOUNG, JR., DECEASED

ALVIN W. YOUNG, JR., and PAULINE MAZURKOWSKI, Petitioners v. ALVIN W. YOUNG, JR., and PAULINE MAZURKOWSKI, Respondents

CAUSE NO. 97-04418

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: The Heirs at Law of Alvin W. Young, Jr., Deceased

YOU have been made Defendant in this lawsuit filed in this Court by Pauline Mazurkowski, Petitioner, whose address is 1507 Calender Road, Bogalusa, LA 70427.

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Improper household and pesticide product use and storage alert

A healthy turf provides a cushioned play surface for children and benefits the environment. To achieve a healthy turf, you must follow basic safety practices, including the proper use and storage of household and pesticide products. The Professional Lawn Care Association of America hopes to focus attention on this safety issue, especially where children are concerned.

According to data collected from the American Association of Poison Control Center, in 1994 alone, an estimated 74,000 children were involved in common household pesticide-related poisonings or exposures in the United States. An additional 19,538 children were exposed to or poisoned by household chlorine bleach.

A survey by the Environmental Protection Agency regarding

pesticides used in and around the home revealed some significant findings:

- Almost half—47 percent—of all households with children under age of 5 had at least one pesticide stored in an unlocked cabinet, less than four feet off the ground and within reach of children.

- Approximately 75 percent of households without children under the age of 5 also stored pesticides in an unlocked cabinet, less than four feet off the ground. This number is especially significant because 13 percent of all pesticide poisoning incidents occur in homes other than the child's home.

Pesticides regularly used by lawn care professionals are usually the same as "general use" products available to the homeowner. Professionals, who are trained in proper pesticide mix-

ing and storage practices, recommend that consumers read the entire label and follow all instructions on any household product, including pesticides.

Be sure to store all pesticides securely and out of the reach of children and pets. If you have questions or concerns about pesticide poisoning prevention, contact a local lawn care provider or the local county cooperative extension service.

The Professional Lawn Care Association of America offers a complete question and answer guide about lawn care products. For a free copy of "What You Should Know About Lawn Care Products and Services," send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: PLCAA/Q&A, 1000 Johnson Ferry Road, NE, Suite C-135, Marietta, GA 30068. Visit PLCAA's web site at www.plcaa.org.

Healthy lawns provide natural filter

Well-maintained residential and commercial lawn and landscapes can boost property values and enhance the beauty of surrounding communities. Homeowners recognize these benefits. According to a Gallup survey, more than 20 million U.S. households have spent over \$13 billion annually on professional landscape, lawn care and tree care services since 1993.

Dollars and cents aside, well-maintained lawns provide an even greater value to the country's water resources. In a newly published brochure "Water Quality and Your Lawn," the Professional Lawn Care Association of America discusses how the lawn can function as a water purification system with proper turf management practices.

The brochure, supported by organizations like the Water Environment Federation and the Environmental Protection Agency, notes: "Lawns help keep our lakes and streams clean by allowing rainwater to filter into the soil rather than running into storm sewers, sometimes washing away valuable soil. Healthy, dense lawns absorb rainfall, preventing runoff and erosion."

The brochure also highlights scientific research as well as gives preventive turf health care tips. "Studies at several nationally recognized universities have documented that well-managed turf has the greatest capacity for absorbing and holding water than any other ground cover. The result is less runoff, and better water quality."

"We can all do our part for the environment in our own yards," says Ann McClure, executive vice president of PLCAA. "Turfgrass can be an environmental hero in many ways—as a water purifier, grass plays a leading role."

For advice or assistance with

Pesticide certification training

The Hancock County Cooperative Extension Service will be conducting Private Pesticide Applicator Certification Training April 29 beginning promptly at 8 p.m.

Late arrivals will not be admitted. Participants must complete a written examination following the training.

The Private Pesticide Certificate is only issued to farmers actively involved in the production of an agricultural commodity.

To register, call 467-5456.

Wildlife seminar set Tuesday

The Hancock County Soil & Water Conservation District will sponsor a Backyard Wildlife Seminar on Tues., April 22, 5 p.m. at Coast Electric's Meeting Room, corner Highway 90 & Main Street, Bay St. Louis.

Ronnie Thomas, Natural Resources Conservation Service wildlife biologist, will be the special speaker.

The seminar's theme is "Lawns and Wildlife."

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American Legion Auxiliary Unit 139

Unit 139 voted to sponsor 10 children in the Special Olympics and voted to continue support for a girls softball team as part of the unit's Children and Youth Program.

The Unit voted that the only two meetings that could be canceled would be the July and the December meeting.

Membership had voted to dispense with the March meeting in favor of the men's birthday party.

Lou Wilkerson announced she was running for 9th District president.

President Jeannette Ladner called for a report from the Nominating Committee for the slate of officers for 1997-98.

All existing officers were offered the opportunity to run for a second term. Some accepted, some were unable to accept. The new slate is:

President; Jeannette Ladner; first vice president, Mattie North; second vice president, Lucille Boudreaux; secretary, Debbie Collier; treasurer, Janet Aime; chaplain, Roz Weathers; historian, Susan Piazza; sergeant-at-arms, Billie Tudury; color bearers, Hazel Wohlschlegel and Charlotte Sellers; executive committee, Elaine Cowie, Majorie Schultz, Joyce Bermond.

Janet Aime reported that the annual Easter party and egg hunt, held at the Bay St. Louis train station was a great success. John Rutherford of Post 139 again made a large donation to the event. Hancock Bank provided two employees, Priscilla Carbone and Nadine Asher and a basket full of Easter candies. Jimmy Loiacono was photographer.

Earline Ruhr from Waveland Unit 77 was the Easter Bunny. All leftover candy and cookies were donated to the VA Hospital.

Merchants who helped with donations include Gulf Coast Photo Center, Jitney Jungle, Eckerd's, Casino Magic, Cafe Reef, Old Town Coffee Shop, Waveland Wal-Mart, Sav-A-Center, Hug of Heaven, Hancock Sheriff's Department, Hancock RSVP, Gulfport Civitan Club, Hancock Bank and Tire Town.

A letter was received asking for a donation for the Children's International Summer Village on the Coast the summer of 1998. There will be 80 participants here from other countries. The unit voted to support the project.

It was reported by Phyllis Moran that it is the responsibility of the past presidents to choose the Woman of the Year for Unit 139. Twelve nominations were received, and they were all of the same person: The winner of Unit 139's Woman of the Year was Elaine Cowie.

The nominee for Volunteer of the Year was Mattie North. She has served at as many as 25 American Red Cross blood drawings this year, in addition to her many hour recruiting the drawings. She also handles publicity and is an active member of the Hancock County Retired Seniors Volunteer Program. She also donates her time to make house calls for elderly citizens.

The Spirit of Youth Scholarship was awarded to Danielle Lind. The Unit also gives a second scholarship called the National President's Scholarship.

Lou Wilkerson presented the shirts from Department for purchase by the members. They are \$20, and the deadline is June 1. Money and size are needed in advance.

The drive to raise money for the copy machine for State is going very well. The unit has approximately \$1,200 raised, and the machine will be given to Department at cost for \$5,000.

Lou Wilkerson announced that the Senior Citizens Art Class is having a lunch Monday, May 12, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at the Legion Home of red beans and rice at \$4 per plate. Desserts are sold separately. This is a fund raiser for the Senior Citizens Center.

Marion Foucha reminded members that craft items are needed for the silent auction to be held at the Convention in July to raise money for the President's Support Fund.

Wilkerson announced that Girls State is June 1-6. Delegates from local schools are Christin Hirsch, Ashley Artigues, Joy Giliam, Shirley Garriga, Michelle Carbou, Andie Fillingmaas, Kelly Green, Meagan Hemphill, April Marsh, Jessica Boston and Geanna Golden.

Billy Tudury collected all the essays entered in the Americanism Contest. Some 125 entries were received from local schools, and the winners will be announced at the end of school.

Elaine Cowie reported there was no meeting of the Juniors in April. The May meeting will be the last meeting for the Juniors if there is no participation. The Juniors program will have to be cancelled. The Miss Poppies do fine, and there is much support in the community for that part of the program.

Lucille Boudreaux reported that the VA cancelled the cake and ice cream parties for this month.

The Legislative News from Boudreaux was primarily that the American Legion and Auxiliary are asking the 105th Congress for more money for veterans.

Janet Aime is chairman for the Department Support Fund and membership is so low in the state that Department is having some financial problems.

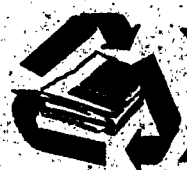
The unit has three items for State Convention. One is a quilt, one is an original oil painting by Joyce Bermond, and one is a quilt donated by Unit 777 and a quilt donated by Unit 139. The quilt donated by Unit 139 is a quilt made for \$2.

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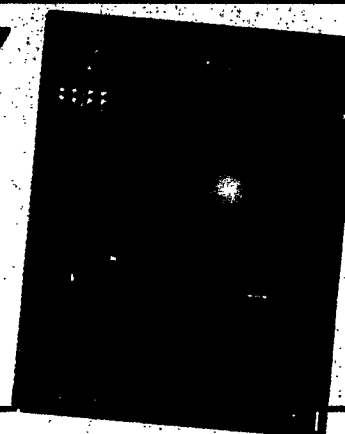
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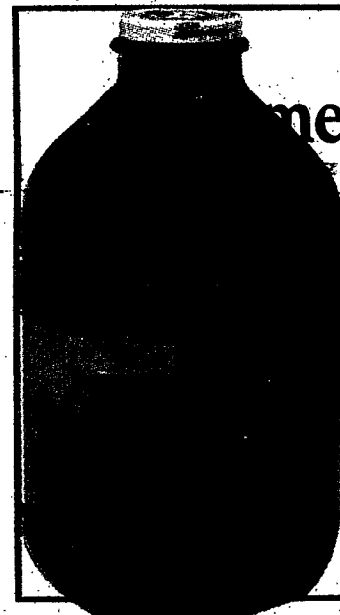
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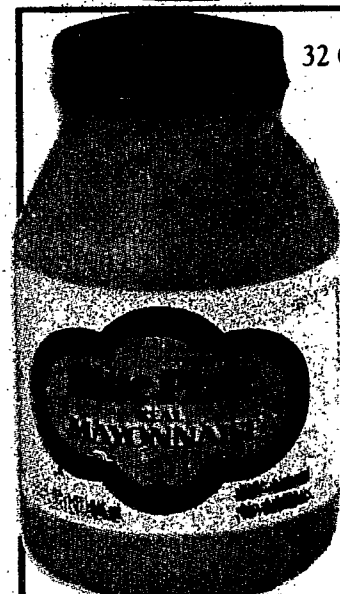
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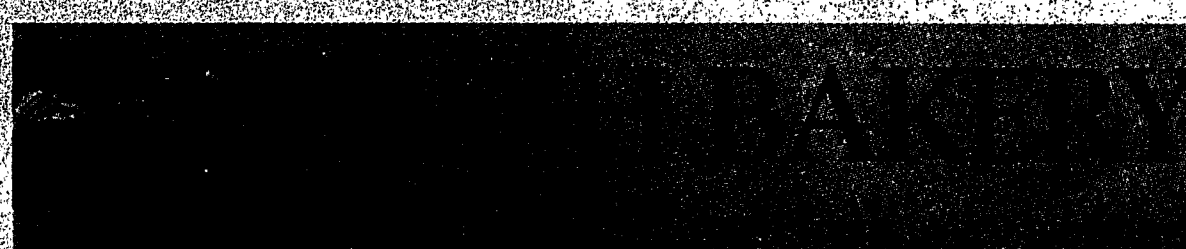
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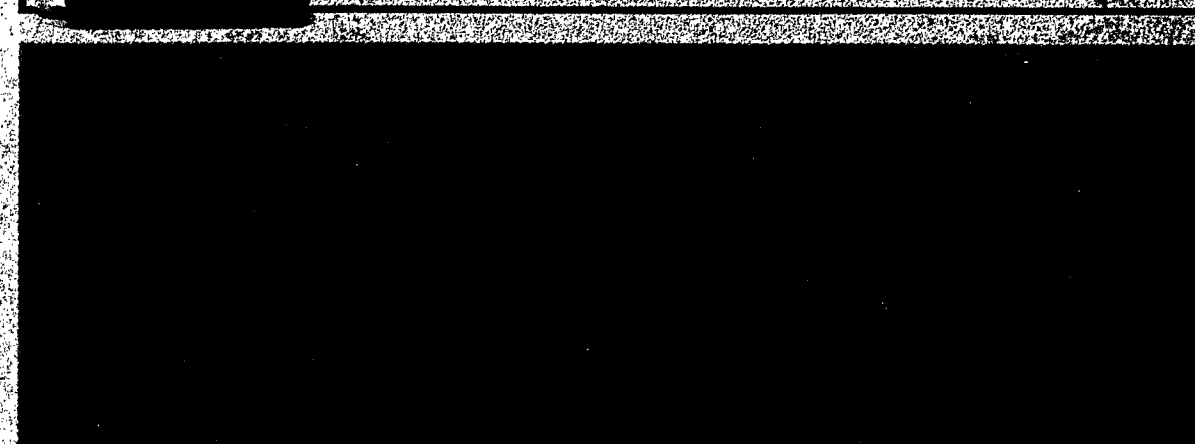
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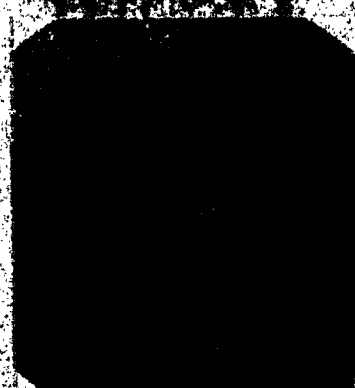
**U.S. GOV'T INSPECTED
APPROX. 10 LB. BAGS**

Fryer Leg Quar

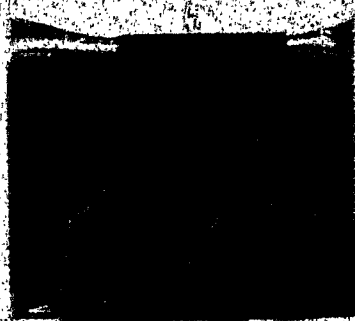
48¢
LB.

SAVE! 21¢ PER LB.

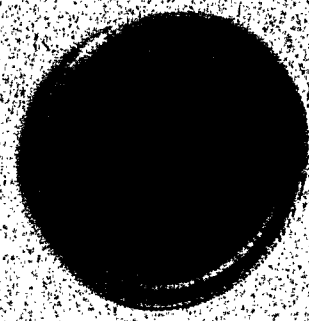
The Butcher Shop



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WESTERN GRAIN FED PORK
**Country Style
Pork Ribs**

SAVE! 60¢ PER LB.

The Other White Meat

\$1.69

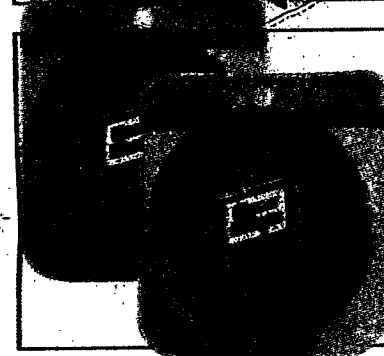


**100% Certified
Ground Chuck**

SAVE! 60¢ PER L.B.

BLIND
IT'S WHAT'S FOR DINNER

\$1.49 LB.



Oscar Mayer Sliced Bologna

SAVE! 50%

**BUY ONE
GET ONE
FREE**

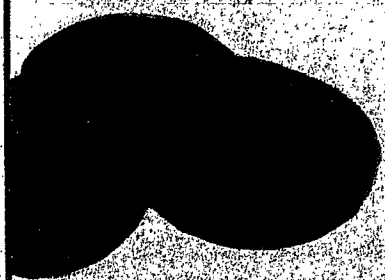
**½ FLAT 5.49 • 8 OZ. PKG. LONG STEMS
OR 1 LB. PKG.**

Fancy California Strawberries

2 \$ 3

FOR

SAVE! MORE WAYS



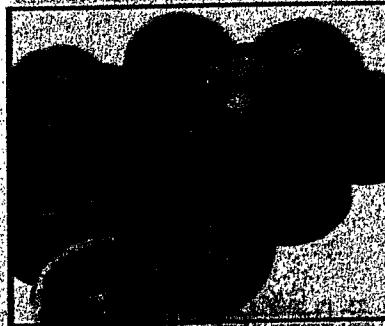
DELICIOUS TROPICAL

Tropical

Mangoes

SAVE! 135 ON THREE

3 \$ 1



SUNKIST Fancy Navel Oranges

32

4 \$ 1

The Farm

Happy Secretary's Week!

We also have a great assortment of balloons, mini arrangements, roses, foliage, blooming plants and ceramic dish gardens - all great gifts!



\$4.49



\$12.99

Available Tuesday through Saturday in stores with floral shops. All items not available in all stores.

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